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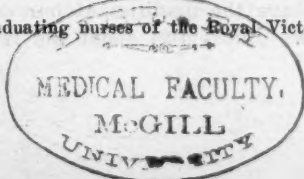
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AN ADDRESS.*

I think it is four years since I last had the pleasure of presenting the diplomas to the graduating nurses of the Royal Victoria Hospital. Such an occasion always seems to me to be at once of a festive and of a serious character. No doubt it is under that twofold aspect that it appears to you, the graduating nurses. For it is to you an end and a beginning, the end of a long course of arduous preparation, the beginning of a career to which you have long looked forward, a career now justly recognized to be one of the highest, noblest and best that can be followed by women. Yes, to no profession can the word "noble" be more fitly applied than to that of the trained nurse. We can all recognize and try to realize the truth of dear George Herbert's familiar lines, "Who sweeps a room unto the Lord makes that and the action fine." Yet we cannot but feel that there is a difference; that some work stands *per se* on a higher plane than other work. The question is not whether work be paid or unpaid (though I may say in passing, that the world has a curious way of concluding that the nobler a profession is the less should the public pay for it!) the question is not whether the nurse goes forth to her work clad in the ordinary hospital uniform or in the garb of some religious order. The care of the sick, the relief of the suffering, the saving of life, is a noble work in itself quite apart from all such considerations, and whether or not it is pursued in a noble manner rests solely with the spirit in which it is done.

Some of you may have read that delightful book, "The Life and Letters of James Hinton," by the late Miss Ellice Hopkins. Her very name is an inspiration to us all. You know how she, a woman of delicate physique, gave up her whole life for the alleviation of sin and suffering under some of its worst forms, at a time, too, when the world still thought it an indelicate thing for a woman to know anything of a form of sin and suffering which bears most heavily on her own sex. When this little woman, braving public opinion, and without any special gifts of oratory, told her story and made her appeal from the platform, I have been

*To the graduating nurses of the Royal Victoria Hospital, 1906.



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told that she even made Bishops weep. This way of putting it seemed to me a little hard on the Bishops, whom I have always found, so far as my own experience goes, as soft-hearted as other men. However, I suppose they have to be more careful about their dignity. But this is a digression. What I started to say was that James Hinton, being a doctor himself, used to give to trained nursing even a higher rank than the practice of medicine. He wondered, indeed, how any woman could condescend to be a doctor who had the chance of being a nurse. He used to say, "When a commonplace young man says, 'I want to be a doctor,' I say, 'Very well,' because I daresay he will do well enough. And if a commonplace girl wants to be a doctor I take it for granted she will do well enough, too. But if a girl says, 'I want to be a nurse,' I begin to consider whether she has the requisite qualifications."

So high an ideal might be alarming, might be discouraging, were it not that it calls for just those special qualities of character which are most "true womanly," for gentleness and sympathy, and patience, and tact, and all that is wrapt up in the heart of motherhood.

And without making odious comparisons, may I say that our Canadian nurses should be, and I believe are, specially known by these characteristics. It is, for instance, an acknowledged fact that across the line, Canadian nurses are generally preferred. I have been told that this is because they have more staying power,—but this staying power, this reserve force, in so far as it derives from a less tense and highly wrought nervous organization,—must imply more repose of manner, a lower tone to the voice and generally more of that quietude which is so soothing in a sick room.

Then if we take the qualities of tact and adaptability where have we larger opportunities for acquiring them than in Canada, where things are still, as some would say, in the rough, where our roads, in a spiritual as well as in a literal sense, are full of "cahots," and we are sure to be dreadfully bumped about if we hold ourselves too stiff! It was in England, where the roads are smooth and rules can afford to be more rigid, that we had to part with a capable and conscientious nurse who was taking night duty in the serious illness of a near relative of mine, because of this lack of adaptability. Every morning the nurse told the doctor how many hours to the minute her patient had slept, every morning the patient indignantly disclaimed the soft impeachment, she had not slept half that amount, she had only lain quiet with her eyes shut. The nurse maintained her position, she knew by the breathing and so on. At last the patient felt her presence intolerable, she was afraid to shut her eyes at night, in case nurse should triumph—so there was nothing for it but to ask her to depart.

Now it is never a graceful thing to boast, it is a better thing to recognize that we *all* have the qualities of our defects and the defects of our qualities. But I feel about the trained nurse in

Canada that her hospital course drills her out of what some might call our national defects—our lack of order and method, of attention to detail—our “*through-other*” way of doing things; whereas the qualities of which these faults are the other side are constantly called into exercise by the conditions of life in a country where all is in the making.

So it is with a confident hope and with a pardonable pride that we bid our nurses go forth to-day to the work of their high calling. Of all work it is true that “the worker has but a span of time, a brief opportunity, a failing strength”—happily to-day under the improved conditions of a nurse’s life, this is hardly more true of your work than of any other calling—but of your work especially it may be said that if the work is great, so also—in ways that cannot be told—is the joy of the reward.

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THE CARE OF NERVOUS PATIENTS.

Many physicians consider this branch of nursing more difficult and exacting than the care of acute medical or surgical cases. Nervous irritability in any form of sickness adds largely to the nurse’s difficulties, and in functional derangements of the nervous system it is always a prominent feature of the case. Further, the mental state of the patient is often such that it is difficult to distinguish his peculiarities from the delusions of insanity. He frequently shows antipathy to members of his family, and this may unfortunately extend to, and include the nurse.

Any one or all of the senses may become abnormally developed, and the nurse kept busy trying to protect her patient from the things which cause annoyance. Perfume on some has a peculiarly depressing effect. With others the sense of taste is abnormal. Some find that any articles of food containing salt burn the tongue and stomach. In one case the bread and butter had to be absolutely saltless, the vegetables when cooked in water with a very little salt caused acute pain, likewise even the normal salt in beef caused trouble. Others again find all seasonings and flavorings nauseating. As for color, blue in all its shades may prove most depressing, whereas yellow and green may be soothing. Perhaps the sense of hearing is the one with which the nurse may have most trouble. Noise or sounds that to a healthy person would not be noticeable, to the patient may prove most distressing. A case in point. In one of the large well-built homes in New York, a mother was ordered by her physician to take the rest-treatment. Much against the doctor’s will it was finally decided to give it to her in her own

home, and accordingly she was isolated on the third floor, seeing no person but her physician and nurse. The telephone was two floors below, and that telephone bell never rang night or day, but she heard it, and worried if it were not answered at once, and no matter how low the voice was she could hear the conversation. If any person called she knew if he came in, and often knew by the voice who it was. In some way she appeared to know everything that went on in the house. This, of course, was no rest, and after a couple of weeks' trial it was decided she would have to leave home and go with her nurse to some place where even if she did hear the sounds they would have no personal significance. After a few weeks there was a marked improvement in her condition, and although her hearing was still acute, she could not hear, or did not notice, sounds as she had previously, and in time made a complete recovery.

In such conditions doctors have found drugs of little or no avail, and indeed they often prove most harmful, as when the patient has for temporary relief used stimulants, hypnotics or anodynes.

In Dr. S. Weir Mitchell's book, *Fat and Blood*, he says: "A good brisk daily walk is for well folks a tonic, breaks down the tissues and creates a wholesome demand for food. The same is true for some sick people. The habit of horse-exercise, or a long walk every day is needed to cure, or to aid in the cure of disordered stomach and costive bowels; but if all exertion gives rise only to increase of trouble, to extreme sense of fatigue, to nausea, to headache, what shall we do? And suppose that tonics do not help to make exertion easy, and that the great tonic of change of air fails us, shall we still persist? They may be able to drag themselves about but no good will be done by making them do so."

The rest-cure for many such cases has proven most beneficial. This rest-cure now so generally used for nervous exhaustion consists of rest in bed, isolation, fattening or plenteous nourishment, and the use of massage and electricity, modified and prescribed by the physician to suit the individual case.

"The normal uses of enforced rest," again says Dr. Mitchell, "are readily estimated. From a restless life of irregular hours, and probably endless drugging, from hurtful sympathy and overzealous care, the patient passes to an atmosphere of quiet, to order and control, to the system and care of a thorough nurse, to an absence of drugs, and to simple diet. The result always is at first, whatever it may be afterwards, a sense of relief, and a remarkable and often a quite abrupt disappearance of many of the nervous symptoms with which we are all of us only too sadly familiar."

Many patients are so exhausted they are quite willing to crawl into bed and rest, but by far the greater number are in

such a nervous and irritable condition that it takes several days before the nerves become sufficiently quiet to allow them to rest.

As for isolation, that is always according to the physician's orders. It is usually rigid only in extreme cases.

The question of nourishment is most important. In many cases there is extreme emaciation caused by stomach complications, and because of pain during or after eating, the patient has cut down the diet to starvation point, with the result that the stomach grows smaller and loses its ability to digest what little food it gets. Such cases require most careful attention. The patient has so lost confidence in the power of the stomach to handle any food that the nurse often finds it hard to persuade her patient to take the increased quantity or variety necessary. Then again, there may have been no pain at any time, and the patient may even have felt hungry, but after a few mouthfuls has such a sense of fullness that she can take no more. In such cases forced feeding is most helpful, and in time results in a good appetite.

Mrs. T. four years previously had had a panhysterectomy performed. When she came for treatment she was five feet seven inches (5 ft. 7 in.) in height, and weighed 78 lbs. Nothing she took in the form of food agreed with her, everything caused pain. Finally the doctor ordered warm peptonized milk, $\frac{3}{4}$ vi., and the white of one egg to be given at 7 a.m. This she said caused her great distress. At 9 a.m. she was ordered lavage and the doctor told her he was going to order her some medicine which was to be poured down the tube and left in the stomach. This, he assured her would give her great relief. This order consisted of the whole of two eggs, gluten $\frac{3}{4}$ i. and warm pept. milk and cream $\frac{3}{4}$ xvi. In a few days she told the doctor how well she felt after that "medicine." This was kept up for three weeks, and at the end of that time she was told what the "medicine" was. Of course she refused to believe that her stomach could handle any food with such comfort, much less such a quantity; but seeing was believing, and after this she did not complain so much of the other nourishment giving her pain, and by degrees it was increased in quantity.

In many cases there is a prolapse of the stomach, and often dilatation. This relaxed condition of the muscles prevents the stomach from emptying as quickly as it should, with the result that fermentation is set up, often causing great distress. Tone and vigor is given to the digestive organs by the kneading of the muscles or massage, thus enabling them to handle larger amounts of food with comfort and even with relish, and what at first was merely a fictitious appetite becomes in time a real one.

Again to quote from "Fat and Blood": "Let us think then when we put a person in bed that we are lessening the heart beats some twenty a minute, nearly a third; that we are causing the tardy blood to linger in by-ways of the blood-round, for it has its by-ways; that rest in bed binds the bowels and tends to

destroy the desire to eat; and that the muscles at rest too long get to be unhealthy and shrunken in substance. Bear these ills in mind and be ready to meet them, and we shall have answered the hard question of how to help by rest without hurt to the patient."

It is estimated that a thorough treatment of massage is equal to a five-mile walk without the loss of nervous energy entailed by the walk. The massage increases the circulation, and by actual test has been known in many cases to have increased the number of red corpuscles in the blood by 50 per cent. This in turn aids assimilation and digestion.

In a case of albuminuria from exercise Dr. W. W. Keen has shown that massage did not cause the return of albumin after rest, though exercise did, a difference due to the opposite effects upon the blood pressure of the two forms of activity.

The pulse should be slower and stronger after an hour of deep massage.

"The use of lubricants is a favorite device of unskilled manipulator," says Dr. Mitchell. "It also does away with much of the good effected by skin friction, is uncleanly, very annoying to many patients, promotes an unsightly growth of hair and should be avoided except where it is desired to rub into the system some oleaginous material. There are exceptional cases where a very dry hard skin or a tendency to excessive sweating during massage makes the use of some unguent desirable."

"So many nervous people are worried with indecision, with inability to make up their minds to the simplest actions, that to have the responsibility of choice taken away greatly lessens their burdens." In one of Dr. S. Weir Mitchell's lectures to nurses he said: "A nurse for nervous patients should be a happy bright person, pretty if possible, and tidy, but above all else she must have a good deal of will-power and tact, for many times she may have to *will* for two."

Along this line Anna —, age 17 years, had a year and a half previously had a severe attack of grip, which left her quite exhausted. She was allowed to get up too soon and in making an attempt to walk, not having the strength, sank to the floor. From that time on she was so convinced that she could not walk, that she would not even try. Her parents were most indulgent and matters had gone from bad to worse till finally at the end of eighteen months she was put in the hands of Dr. —, who made a thorough examination. There was a marked hypersthesia of the whole body, and the only person who could do anything for her without causing pain was her father. While examining her spine the doctor touched a particularly sore spot between the shoulders. The patient winced, and the mother, who was sitting across the room, cried out: "Oh! that is Anna's sore spot." The doctor asked the mother: "Did I hurt you?" and forthwith she was asked to leave the room.

By the aid of the doctor on one side and the nurse on the other

the patient after half an hour's trial took one step and was then lifted back to bed. Next day in the same way she took two steps, and next day four, etc. At the end of the first week she would take a few steps by the aid of the nurse at one side and holding to the bed on the other, and at the end of five weeks went several blocks alone.

Now Anna was not an obstinate girl, nor do I believe she tried to deceive people, she simply had not the strength on her first attempt and in her weakened condition she allowed herself to think she could not walk, and until she was much stronger in body and met some person with a sufficiently strong will to control her she did not even try, being convinced in her own mind that she was paralyzed in the lower limbs.

We may be inclined to be harsh in our judgment of nervous people, but could we fully realize what they suffer in many cases, our criticism would be kinder and we would put forth our best efforts to help them.

ELIZABETH W. ROGERS.

A DEMONSTRATION OF SOME NURSING METHODS.

On Wednesday, November the 14th, the Montreal General Hospital Graduate Nurses' Club held a meeting in the amphitheatre of the hospital. The afternoon's programme began with an interesting and timely address by Dr. Helen MacMurchy on Opsonic Work. Dr. MacMurchy's description of Sir Almroth Wright's investigations and her explanations of the subject were clear and simple, the nurses thoroughly enjoyed her paper. Following this a demonstration of some nursing methods was given by Miss Young, Assistant Superintendent, and Miss Tedford and Miss Strum, staff nurses; Miss Shaw, instructor in the Training School, explained the work as it was being done.

The following detailed directions for such a demonstration have been written for THE CANADIAN NURSE at Dr. MacMurchy's request.

1. Changing a mattress with a patient in bed.

Remove the counterpane, pillows and extra blankets, leaving the patient covered with the sheet and one blanket. Loosen these all around and fold up at either side. Tuck the folded bed-clothing *smoothly and tightly* under and around the patient, first on one side then at the end, lastly the other side, making as it has been called "a mummy of one's patient." Now loosen the under sheet, bed rubber and draw sheet and remove them, while doing so, drawing the patient to the left side of the mattress. The help of a second person will now be required. Draw the mattress nearly half off the bed at the right side and have one person hold it. Place three pillows, end to end, on the left side of the bedstead, tucking their

edges under the edge of the mattress, so as to hold them in place. Unless the patient is very slight a third person's help will now be necessary. Have all three persons stand close together at the left side and thus lift the patient from the mattress to the pillows. Then have the mattress turned and the patient lifted back in the same manner. By lifting from *one side* and *at the same moment*, lifting is made much easier; having the bed clothing tightly tucked about the patient facilitates handling, and at the same time makes the necessary handling more comfortable for the patient. After this draw the mattress into position, removing the pillows, and make the bed in the usual manner.

2. Methods of Supporting a Patient.

(1) Back Rest and Pillows.—Remove the pillow, have the back rest or chair covered with a sheet. Have the patient lifted up, slip in the rest or chair, put two oblong pillows lengthwise against it, placing one *over* the other at the bottom and spreading them at the top. Put another pillow (preferably square) across the top; by this arrangement the whole back is supported. A Nightingale, or bed-jacket, should be put on the patient before lifting her up.

(2) Foot-Strap.—Fold a sheet diagonally into a bandage about eight or ten inches wide, place around the soles of the feet (when a patient is sitting up in bed) and fasten the ends at either side to the head of the bed or around the back-rest. Bed socks should be put on the feet or a pad placed between the feet and the sheet to keep them warm.

(3) Circular Pillow for Supporting the Knees.—Tie a thin oblong pillow together, about four inches from either end, so as to make a roll of it. Leave about a yard of bandage on each side; place the pillow under the knees and tie these ends about the sides of the bedstead to keep the pillow in place.

(4) Method of Supporting a Heart Case.—Place in front of the patient a wooden bed tray (a table tray with feet or supports), on this put a soft pillow so that the patient can rest her arms on it. Put a pillow at her back, and, if necessary, one under either elbow.

3. A Croup Tent.

Place a clothes horse around (three sides) a child's crib, cover the top with a blanket, letting it come down in front, within a foot and a half of the mattress. Pin other blankets to this one to form the sides and back; then fold a blanket and pin it in front so that it can be lifted or opened back to observe the child or regulate the temperature. Place a spirit lamp in a wash basin or a chair beside the crib, over this put a kettle of water, having the spout of the kettle connected by a heavy paper funnel with the interior of the tent.

4. Method of Washing a Bed Patient's Hair.

Have ready two small rubber sheets, a bath towel, three small towels, two basins, a pail or jar for waste water, a large jug or can of warm water, a small jug, a nail brush, a sponge or wash cloth, borax or ammonia, green or other *fluid* soap and a little non-absor-

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bent wool or cotton. Have the patient lying on her side, face inwards, bring her head to the edge of the bed and see that the pillow is under her shoulder, not merely under her head. Cover this pillow with one of the rubber sheets, bring the lower edge of this rubber around the patient's neck and pin it together with a safety pin. Spread over this rubber a small, soft towel, tucking its edges between the rubber and the patient's neck. Cover the patient's shoulder and the top part of the bed clothes with the bath towel. Make the other rubber into an improvised Kelly pad, rolling one end over and over, then folding over and tucking in the sides. Put this pad under the patient's head, having the loose end in a basin on a chair beside the bed. Have this basin half full of water, to which add two drachms of borax or one of ammonia. Put the non-absorbent in the patient's ears, gently wet the head with the sponge or cloth, sprinkle with the soap and wash thoroughly, using the nail brush and also rubbing the scalp with the fingers. Then rinse the hair by pouring on water from the little jug, changing or emptying the basin when necessary. When the hair is clean and free from soap rinse with *cool* water, carefully remove the improvised pad and dry thoroughly. When partially dry, the hair may be spread out over the rubber sheet that is covering the pillow.

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STATE REGISTRATION.

There is one aspect of state registration that has of late been pressing itself on my mind, and that is its great importance, because of the fact that Canada uses the United States so much as a field for her graduates to practise in. To make certain of this enquiries have been made of the superintendents of the Training Schools of the Province, as to how many of their graduates have gone to the United States of America. Though quite confident that numbers went over the border, it has been rather startling to find the percentage from many of our town hospitals, for it is the schools of the towns and smaller cities which send by far the larger quota. As nothing could be more convincing than to present the answers to many of my enquiries I shall proceed to do so.

From Stratford: "Fifty per cent. of our graduates have left for the United States." From Cornwall: "Seventy-five per cent. of the graduates of this institution are practising in the United States." From Sarnia: "About half our nurses go across the border to nurse." St. Catharines: "Looking over the names of the graduates of this school I find that at least half have at one time or another taken up work in the States." Belleville General

Hospital: "About one-fifth of the graduates of the B. G. H. are nursing in the United States." St. Joseph Hospital, London: "About one in ten." Woodstock: "Eleven in the United States, eleven in Canada." Lady Stanley Institute, Ottawa: "Graduates number nineteen, twelve are in the United States." Nichols Hospital, Peterboro: "Twenty-four nursing, and twelve of these are in the United States." Guelph General Hospital: "One-third of the graduates are practising in the States." Marine Hospital, Owén Sound: "One-third are practising in the U. S. A." Brantford: "I am quite safe in saying sixty per cent. of our nurses have gone to the U. S. A. to practice." Berlin and Waterloo Hospital: "About thirty per cent."

I may not occupy space in more quotations, but surely we can come to but one conclusion, viz., that our Province graduates more nurses than she requires for home work, and that the United States is a very acceptable field for many of them. Then is it not all-important if we mean to keep up our standing, that we see to it that our nurses are as fully equipped as any trained in the most advanced State.

We have heard over and over that Canadian women are well thought of as nurses wherever they are found. Then train them thoroughly, make a registration test of as high a character as the highest—one that falls below that is of no value—and so send them forth equal to the best in our own or any other land. Let us not be content with low attainments, but strive for "the top of the ladder."

The States of New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, Colorado and California have all secured bills. In these States our nurses must be below par without registration. Many other States are preparing the way for legislation. Does there not seem a danger that in the near future the more intelligent young women, of the class that have been coming forward, to study in our smaller schools, will go to the United States to take their training, when the curriculum will have in view the registration test, and for us, will be left, the less far-seeing and capable. Indiana, Michigan, Massachusetts, Illinois, Pennsylvania, have all had their bills defeated as have we. But they are keeping up the fight, and so will we; keep it up until we win.

They say British soldiers never know when they are beaten, but just keep pegging away. A body of Canadian nurses, we will take a leaf out of their book and keep at it, and at it.

What can we do to help on our good cause? Two practical things have been suggested: Every superintendent of a training school whose graduates go to the United States to practise, can educate her board as to the importance of having their nurses registered graduate nurses before they leave their own country, so that they will not be obliged to take an examination in the United States before having an equal standing with United States graduates.

Chapters or branches of the "Graduate Nurses' Association of Ontario" might be formed in all hospital towns and cities, where graduates and undergraduates might keep abreast of the times concerning registrations, and might make most helpful and useful plans to further our great aim.

CHARLOTTE E. EASTWOOD.

THE PRELIMINARY COURSE AT THE LAKESIDE HOSPITAL OF CLEVELAND.

Our preliminary course at the Lakeside covers six months.

Besides the lectures from physicians on Bacteriology, Anatomy, Physiology and Materia Medica, we take up Nursing Ethics, Household Economics (including the cost of all hospital supplies and appliances), Bandaging, Dietetics and First Principles of Nursing. The probationers are also given a short course of lectures on Pharmacology by our chemist and a talk on Ventilation, Heating and Plumbing by our own engineer.

In so far as the principal has the oversight of the questions given on examination, they are confined to the mechanical phase of the work. Our pupils are not asked to use their judgment in matters pertaining to the treatment or care of the sick.

The probationers are taught by their supervisor in the class room and by practical demonstration in the wards how properly and intelligently to care for the sick, but the only work in the way of nursing that they do in the wards is the bathing of one patient each day, the feeding of helpless patients and the making of empty beds.

Those on duty on the wards have the dusting of the wards, sun-rooms and lavatories, the care of the linen rooms and the serving of soft diet trays and liquids.

The dressings are all made by the probationers under the supervision of a competent instructor. They each serve a term in the operating supply room where they learn the methods of sterilization and the making of solutions.

They do the work of the diet kitchen under the supervision of a teacher.

They are on duty six and a half hours a day and are given one or two classes a day, usually in the afternoon. They are required to take notes of all lectures and these are regularly examined.

BERTHA M. TOYE.

Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland.



ST. ANTHONY, Oct. 14th.

"I am now at my eighth, and I hope last, stopping place, on my way to Hanington; if it is as difficult to get away from there as it is to go I think I shall make up my mind to stay on the Labrador for the rest of my life. It is a most inaccessible place, no steamers call there, just trading schooners and fishing smacks from Quebec and Halifax, so that I have to depend upon the "Strathecona" to take me down. She is now making her second and last trip there for the season, for navigation will soon be closing. Dr. Grenfell has just closed the summer hospital at Indian Harbor, 200 miles north of Labrador, bringing the staff to this; the remaining workers, who were volunteers from the States and England, having gone home. We started yesterday morning for Hanington, but the boiler broke down and we may be delayed until Tuesday. It was fortunate it happened before we left the harbor, for at St. Anthony, which is on the extreme northeast corner of Newfoundland, the straits are 60 miles wide and the crossing is often very rough. As the Strathecona is a small boat without much accommodation and noted for its rolling properties, we do not anticipate having a very nice trip, for it is quite cold, wet and windy with frost at night. We expect to take a week to reach Hanington, which is 200 miles southwest of here, for we have several places to call at, and it will not be safe to steam at night, the shore is so dangerous.

SS. STRATHCONA,
STRAITS OF BELE ISLE, Oct. 21st, 1906.

I know that when you read this letter you will be disappointed, but hope you will say I am doing the only possible thing, and advancing Dr. Grenfell's work more this way than I could this year in any other. If I could have telegraphed or written to you from Hanington for instructions, I would have done so, but the facilities

*Extra ts from letters received from Miss Mayou, Victorian Order Nurse at Dr. Grenfell's Hospital at Hanington, Canadian Labrador.

are nil, there will not be another mail until next January, and the telegraph office is closed with the fishing season. When we got to Hanington on Thursday we found that the building was up, the carpenters having left for St. John's, 700 miles away, the day before; but that was all, then there was no equipment of any kind, neither furniture, furnishings, food, fuel or heating apparatus, so that it would have been utterly impossible to have taken in any patients with no means whatever of feeding, warming or caring for them. No one not on the spot can realize the immense difficulties to be contended with in building and equipping an institution situated as Hanington is, cut off from communication with the outside world.

1st. The very inadequate mail service, only eight during the year, four in the winter from January to May by dog komatik, and four in the summer by little open sail boat, which brings the letters 100 miles from Boune Espérance where the steamer leaves them.

2nd. The uncertain means of transportation, no steamers call there, except the Strathcona twice and the Government boat once a year, everything has to be taken by the trading schooners from Quebec, 900 miles; Halifax, 500 and St. John's, 700 miles away.

The summer working season is so short that it is marvellous so much should have been done, for the foundation had to be blasted out of the solid rock and every single thing used brought from St. John's. You cannot buy even a pin at Hanington, for there is not the slightest attempt at a shop, everything is bought from the trader's vessels in exchange for the fish. Dr. Grenfell and Dr. Hare talked the matter over and decided that as conditions are it would be better for me not to stay at Hanington, where there would be nowhere for me to live and no hospital work for me to do, but to spend the winter at St. Anthony, the third of Dr. Grenfell's hospitals and where extra help is very much needed for the efficient carrying on of his work this winter. He has quite an industrial establishment there, for in addition to the hospital are the orphanage, the workshop, where weaving, spinning and basket making are taught upstairs, and carpentering down, a fox farm, a Belgian hare run and a pigeon cote. A winter there will make me very much more efficient and treble my usefulness to Hanington, for the following year, for I am going to learn all those industries and introduce them at Hanington. Dr. Grenfell's object and desire is not only to treat the bodies, but to teach the people how to uplift themselves and have other occupations than simply fishing, which, until he came, was all they had, and meant being idle for eight months of the year and starving if the summer catch was poor. We expect to reach St. Anthony to-morrow week. Dr. Grenfell is calling at several places on the way, giving medical, spiritual and industrial aid. We hear the people at Lancia Loup are starving, not having caught any fish this year; he will help them.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—A post graduate course in district nursing will be given in the Home of the Victorian Order of Nurses, Ottawa. Apply to Miss Allen, 578 Somerset Street, Ottawa.

The
Guild of



Saint
Barnabas

"Je le pansay ; Dieu le guarit." [I tended him ; God healed him.]

—Ambroise Paré

Canadian District

MONTREAL—St. John Evangelist, third Tuesday, 8.15 p.m.

District Chaplain—Rev. Arthur French, 1773, Ontario Street.

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Chaplain—Rev. Canon Edward A. Welch, St. James' Cathedral Rectory.

Local Superior—Mrs. Welch.

Secretary—Miss Maud Roger, 5 Howland Ave.

A meeting of the Guild of St. Barnabas for Toronto was held on October 26th, when four associates were admitted to membership. A suggestion was made to have the meetings on the last Friday of the month, alternately afternoon and evening. After discussing the matter a vote was taken, and it was decided to try this.

It has been decided by the District Council in Montreal, at their meeting in October, that nurses not belonging to the Church of England can become honorary members with all the privileges of the Guild, paying honorary membership fee, \$1.00, and also for *Misericordia*, sixty cents a year.

In the Toronto Branch there are now twenty-two members, six associate members and four honorary members.

The November meeting was held as usual on November 30th, at St. James' Rectory. The hour of meeting was 3.00 p.m., and after the service in the chapel of the Rectory, at which the office of the Guild was said by the chaplain, the Rev. Canon Welch, a business meeting was held, and then the Guild enjoyed the kind hospitality of the Superior, Mrs. Welch.

The next meeting will be held in St. James' Rectory on Friday, January 4th, at 8.00 p.m., at which it is hoped that every member of the Guild will surely be present, to begin the New Year. It will be understood (see above) that nurses not belonging to the Church of England will be welcomed as associate members and honorary members. Application may be made to the Secretary, Miss Roger, 5 Howland Avenue. The annual subscription for members and associate members is sixty cents, which includes the subscription to the Guild paper, *Misericordia*.

My Scallop-Shell of Quiet

GIVE me my scallop-shell of quiet,
My staff of faith to walk upon,
My scrip of joy, immortal diet,
My bottle of salvation,
My gown of glory, hope's true gage;
And thus I'll take my pilgrimage.

Blood must be my body's balmer;
No other balm will there be given;
Whilst my soul like quiet palmer
Travelleth toward the land of Heaven;
My soul will be a-dry before,
But, after, it will thirst no more.

—Sir Walter Raleigh.

"A Happy New Year."

LOYAL AND LOVING.—Purge out of every heart the lurking grudge. Give us grace and strength to forbear and persevere. Offenders, give us the grace to accept and forgive offenders. Forgetful ourselves, help us to bear cheerfully the forgetfulness of others. Give us courage and gaiety and quiet of mind. Spare us to our friends, soften us to our enemies. Bless us, if it may be, in all our innocent endeavors. If it may not, give us the strength to encounter that which is to come, that we be brave in peril, constant in tribulation, temperate in wrath, and in all changes of fortune, and down to the gates of death, loyal and loving one to another.—*R. L. S.*

THE ONLY WAY TO LIVE.—"Have we the courage to do God's will, cost what it may; to be generous, to give, to fight, to toil, to deny ourselves, seeking no reward save that of knowing that we do His will? It is the only way to live. 'Not everyone that saith Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of My Father who is in Heaven.'"

From a sermon preached to the Catholic Nurses' Guild, Convent of the Visitation, Harrow-on-the-Hill, by the Very Rev. Prior MacKinlay, O.S.B.
—*The Catholic Nurses' Magazine.*

WORK REMAINS.—"Let us correct the sad thoughts by the thought of the permanence of work. Prosper thou the *work* of our hands. Feelings pass, thoughts and imaginations pass; dreams pass; work remains. Through eternity, what you have done, that you are. They tell us that not a sound has ever ceased to vibrate through space; that not a ripple has ever been lost upon the ocean. Much more is it true that, not a true thought, nor a pure resolve, nor a loving act, has ever gone forth in vain."

So then we will end our year.

F. W. ROBERTSON.

The Canadian Nurse

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Editorial.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

To all our friends, new and old, near and far, we offer our best congratulations and good wishes for the New Year. The Publication Committee, soon to be merged into a large and representative Editorial Board, heartily thank the Canadian profession and the Canadian public for the enthusiastic and kindly support and approval which has enabled us to surmount all difficulties and become a Monthly Journal worthy, we hope, of the profession and of Canada, and worthy of still more enthusiastic and loyal support.

THE GUILD OF ST. BARNABAS FOR NURSES.

It is difficult to express in words the feelings with which almost all nurses whom we have ever known regard in their hearts the religious aspect of their daily work. One cannot stand close beside the mysteries of Life and Death or see, as one does in a hospital, the changes and chances of this mortal life, without remembering that the things that are seen are temporal, but the things that are not seen are eternal, and longing that Almighty God would so teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

It has great significance to the student of history, as well as to the student of medical science, to observe that the earliest hospitals were in connection with religious orders and the earliest nursing work was done as a religious vocation, as, in many cases, both under vows and not under vows, it is still.

The management of this magazine, and the associations of which it is the official organ, have always been in sympathy with this aspect of professional work. The meetings of the O. G. N. A. are opened with prayer. There is scarcely a hospital under the charge of any church in Canada, either Catholic or Protestant, where we have not subscribers. For these and other reasons, it is with feelings of hope and gratitude that we announce to our readers the opening of another new department in *THE CANADIAN NURSE*—The Guild of St. Barnabas, under the charge of the officers of the Canadian district in Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto. A brief history of the Guild will be found in *THE CANADIAN NURSE* for March, 1906, to which we hope all our readers will refer. The meetings of the Guild in Toronto are delightful and helpful. The brief religious service in the quiet of the Rectory Chapel, and the influence of the meeting itself, will not willingly be missed by any one who has once enjoyed them. We hope a number of new members from other churches, as well as the Church of England, will join after the new year.

THE VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES OF CANADA.

It is with no little pride and satisfaction that we open this month a new department in *THE CANADIAN NURSE*. Founded by Lady Aberdeen at the time of the Jubilee of her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, bearing her name, and bearing, too, the impress of her affectionate and benevolent character, the Victorian Order of Nurses has proved itself a boon to the people of this country, especially in the new and far distant places where the pioneers have but few to care for them in accident and sickness, and in our large cities where the problems of a crowded and foreign popula-

tion are beginning to press. The department will be conducted by Miss Allen, of Ottawa, Chief Lady Superintendent of the V. O. N., and we extend to her and to the new department of the magazine a cordial welcome on behalf of every member of the Publication Committee and every subscriber of the magazine.

OUR TWIN IN CALIFORNIA.

We are delighted to hear that "*The Nurses' Journal of the Pacific Coast*" is to be a monthly, beginning with the first number of Vol. III., Jan., 1907. Says the editor: "Our very courage in assuming the responsibilities which this work will entail may be due to our very limited experience. However, we have voted to publish the *Journal* monthly, and we must work with the determination to make it a success.

"We want a publication that will be more useful to our readers than in the past. We need more contributions on practical subjects and regular contributions to the departments represented. Members of the California State Nurses' Association, remember, this is *your Journal*, and its success or failure in fulfilling its mission rests with you. If you have the true "California spirit" do your part to make the *Journal* valuable and interesting.

"The Editors earnestly request that all material be sent in regularly before the 1st of each month, beginning with December, 1906."

That is just what we were going to say to our own readers. It is all TRUE, and all success to the *California Nurses' Journal*.

THREE BRAVE DEEDS.

In August, at Douglas, in the Isle of Man, two nurses of the Southport Isolation Hospital, saved the life of a lady who was seized by cramps and was drowning.

About the same time also Lady French, at Aldershot, presented the medal of the Society for the Protection of Life from Fire, to Mrs. Jones, a graduate of the Louise Margaret Hospital, who had rescued a little child in a fire that broke out on the drivers' quarters of the A.S.C.

And a few days after the nurses of the Throne Hospital of Belfast where a bad fire broke out, by their courage and presence of mind, saved all their patients, thirty children, many of them helpless, carrying them out through the dense smoke and fire. Many a deed as brave as these three, done by nurses, is unknown except to Almighty God, but thank God, we sometimes hear of them and they "encourage the others."

Before we could publish this article there came the news of three brave Canadian nurses succouring the wounded in a railway collision, near Paris, France, showing such common sense, courage and heroism that Paris was full of their praises. We have been requested by the ladies themselves to say nothing, and this reference is necessarily brief. The three ladies were Miss Coleman and Miss Monroe, graduates of the Boston General Hospital, and Miss Hogie, a graduate of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Editorial Notes.

Miss Snively's Report.—A recent issue of the *British Journal of Nursing* publishes in full Miss Snively's Annual Report (T.G.H.) to which we referred in our last issue, together with a kind and complimentary editorial reference.

A Great Benefactor.—By the death of Mr. George Herring, the millionaire, London hospitals lose a most generous friend. To the Hospital Sunday Fund, and in other channels, he had given a million dollars. He was a man of charming modesty, settled contentment (both before and after riches came), and genuine kindness.

The Nurses' Missionary League.—The League held a delightful Reunion in the C.M.S. house in Salisbury Square on Oct. 2nd, the object being to begin the winter's work and say a kind good-bye to four nurses about to leave for foreign service, two in India and two in China.

The Nurses and the Prime Minister.—The Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses is now organizing a petition to the Prime Minister praying that the Government will bring in a Bill to Register Trained Nurses. All enquiries should be addressed to Miss Mary Burr, 431 Oxford St., London W. We are very much interested in this proposal inasmuch as the Publication Committee of THE CANADIAN NURSE has been considering the very same question and earnestly requests instructions and advice upon this subject from all subscribers, all Nurses' Associations and all others interested in the subject.

The Locked Bath-Room.—We learn from *The Hospital*, that "the committee of a large hospital in the provinces" decided to have the bathroom doors locked because the nurses desired to have a bath every day, and this "luxury" cost 30 s. a week for the entire staff. "What fools these mortals be!" The Medical Board, on being appealed to, ordered the locks to be removed. We never, in the course of a somewhat long life, heard anything like this before!

The Contributors' Club.

INDIA, September 12, 1906.

DEAR MISS CHRISTIE,—It is so good to have an old patient bring in some relative or friend of hers, who is frightened to death of white people, and especially of their medicine, and say, "You have done me so much good will you cure this one," and then she will persuade her friend to come and be examined and treated, and all the time telling not to be afraid, that we are not going to hurt her whatever. Some of them insist on having the doctor use the stethoscope to whatever part of the body is paining, such as a rheumatic knee or abscess in the breast. If the stethoscope has been used and the pulse felt, then the patient is sure that the doctor knows what is the cause of the trouble. Another one will come in and tell her woes over two or three times, until the doctor wishes her many miles out of sight, especially when very busy, but no, that will not do, the doctor must explain two or three times, then the nurse must, and finally the patient returns to the doctor so as to tell her (the doctor) correctly what the trouble is. Then the story has to be listened to again and explanations concerning her trouble, the cause and so forth, and finally the directions about medicine and treatment have to be given again. If it should be an operation case then, after all this has been gone through, the men take a day or two to decide whether the woman is worth having the operation performed or whether they can do without her in the home. If they can do without her she is allowed to come.

Sometimes a case comes in and is ready to be operated on, but this is seldom. The day has to be propitious or else the patient will die. Even the hour of the day has to be considered. With one caste certain hours are unlucky, in other castes other hours are unlucky. If a patient is dying the friends usually ask to take her away before she dies, as it is unlucky for her to die in our hospital (in a white person's place).

We have three trained nurses and seven in training. They all have to be watched and we have to be continually teaching them almost the same things every day. They have a very poor memory for details. But when one considers the homes from which they come and limited education, they do very well. We are trying to get the better educated girls, but they have to be taught very carefully. We have only forty-two beds in the white hospital, there are three wards and two private wards. Our private wards are nearly always occupied by Europeans.

At the end of this year we hope to be able to get out an illustrated report of our hospital and its work, a copy of which I will send you. I'm sure you will be interested to see the cuts.

This last month in our out-patients we had 1,239 new patients,

3,388 treatments given, 131 visits made in town, 83 new patients in the wards, 16 large and 91 minor operations, including both out-patients and in-patients and obstetrical. The operations are not as many as in May. The obstetrical work is increasing slowly.

I'm afraid this is not as interesting to you as to one who knows or rather has seen the work, but it will give you an idea of the trials that have to be overcome and the patience and tact required to get along with them. I intended when I commenced this letter to write something for the journal, but am afraid this will not do. If you think that there is anything that would be of interest to your readers you are at liberty to print what you think best.

Yours most sincerely,

L. M. H.

Correspondence.

DEEP SEA MISSION HOSPITAL,

ST. ANTHONY, NEWFOUNDLAND, NOV. 14, 1906.

DEAR MISS HARGRAVE,—Your letter of October 5th I received yesterday. It was forwarded to me here, which will be my winter quarters until June, when, as soon as the Straits are clear of ice, I shall go to Hanington to open the new hospital, the fourth belonging to this Mission, but on the Canadian Labrador. It was not ready in October when I went there, so I shall be here until next June, when navigation opens again and there is once more communication with the outside world.

We get letters here once every two weeks from June until the end of December, by the mail steamer from St. John's, then just four times by komatik, a light sled drawn by dogs, until the steamer can come in again.

I have had requests from four different magazines for articles upon Dr. Grenfell's work on the Labrador. I will try to send you something before navigation has completely closed to the ice-breaking mail steamer. It takes the dogs so long to come from Quebec, they cannot do more than from forty to fifty miles a day, and have to travel between 800 and 900 miles, so they carry nothing but letters. If I had time I could write pages and pages upon the work of the Mission, it has so many phases and does such an immense amount of good that it is worthy of all support. I am sorry that I shall not be able to attend any more of your meetings. I hope you will be able this session to frame and pass a satisfactory Bill.

Yours sincerely,

EDITH MAYOU.

Hospital and Training School Department.

IN CHARGE OF MISS HARGRAVE, TORONTO; MISS CRAWFORD, WINNIPEG;
AND MISS YOUNG, MONTREAL.

MISS FLORENCE BECK, graduate M. G. H., has given up her flat at "The Salisbury," and is now living at the Club.

MISS KATHLEEN BROCK, M.G.H., has returned to Montreal to resume private work, and has taken up her residence at the M. G. H. Club, 59 Park Avenue.

MISS MOFFATT, graduate M. G. H., has returned to Montreal, and is doing private nursing. It gives us great pleasure to welcome back one of our nurses of such high standing.

On Wednesday, November 14th, Dr. MacMurchy and Miss Mitchell were the guests of the M. G. H. Nurses' Club at dinner. Miss Mitchell was also the guest of the Club till November 15th, when she left for Caledonia Springs.

THE visit we had last month from Dr. MacMurchy, editor of THE CANADIAN NURSE, and Miss Mitchell, Convener, was a very great pleasure and treat to all those who had the opportunity of hearing and meeting them. Their intense interest and convincing enthusiasm in the the work they are trying to put forward, was extremely stirring and highly appreciated.

On Tuesday evening, November 13th, Dr. MacMurchy and Miss Mitchell, spoke at a meeting of the Canadian Nurses' Association. On Wednesday, November 14th, Dr. Ritchie England entertained our visitors to lunch, after which they attended a meeting of the M. G. H. Graduate Nurses' Club, at Montreal General Hospital.

DR. MAUDE ABBOTT gave a luncheon party for Dr. MacMurchy on Tuesday, November 13th, and asked the following ladies to meet her: Lady Drummond, Miss Livingston, Miss Henderson, Miss Mitchell (Toronto), Mrs. Sherwood, the Misses Barker, Finley, Young, Hall, Aitken, Lewis, Parker, Shaw, Gilmour. In the afternoon of the same day Lady Drummond invited the same ladies to tea and gave them the treat of seeing some of the beautiful pictures at her residence.

THE Training School of Nurses of the Montreal General Hospital have added, since October 1st, an important feature to its curriculum, that of teaching the probationer, by demonstration, the simple principles of nursing before she is placed in the hospital ward. This preliminary course is included in the probationary period and forms part of the regular three years' course. Miss F. M. Shaw, a graduate of the Montreal General Hospital Training School, and holding the diploma of the Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York, has been appointed to this important post of instruction.

PORT HOPE will probably soon have a hospital.

A CATHOLIC hospital is to be erected at Saskatoon, Sask.

THE new hospital at Melfort, Sask., is approaching completion.

A LARGE addition is being made to the McKellar Hospital at Fort William.

MISS M. S. MACAULAY is in charge of the new Cottage Hospital at Virden, Man.

MRS. M. L. JARDINE has been appointed Night Supervisor at the H. S. C., Toronto.

THE John H. Stratford Hospital, at Brantford, is to have a new Nurses' Home, to cost \$10,000.

MISS ETHEL NOBLE, graduate G. and M. H., Owen Sound, is visiting at her home in Bolton.

THE Railway and Marine Hospital at Port Arthur, is erecting a new building, at a cost of \$40,000.

MISS UNDERHILL (H.S.C.) has just been appointed nurse in charge at the Aged Women's Home, Toronto.

MISS M. EMMA YOUNG (class of 1906), has been appointed Night Superintendent in Toronto General Hospital.

It is expected that the new building for the Holy Cross Hospital at Calgary, Alberta, will be finished this month.

MISS REGAN, a graduate of St. Michael's Hospital, has taken a position in the Chester Hospital, West Chester, Penn.

MISS JENNIE SMITH, graduate of Grace Hospital, Toronto, has taken charge of Dr. Bird's Hospital, Blind River, Algoma.

MISS DAISY BROWNE, graduate, H. S. C., '02, Toronto, has been appointed operating room nurse in the Hartford Hospital.

MISS GLADYS OWEN, graduate Kingston General Hospital, has taken the position of Parish Nurse in connection with St. James' Cathedral, Toronto.

THE Board of Trustees of the G. and M. Hospital, Owen Sound, are making every effort to secure sufficient funds to build a large addition to the hospital in 1907.

MISS McISAACS, graduate T. G. H., has gone to Edmonton to take charge of the hospital there. Miss Sargent has accompanied Miss McIsaacs as assistant.

MISS M. R. MACDONALD has resigned her position of Superintendent of the Victoria General Hospital, Halifax, and leaves early in January to visit friends in the United States.

MISS A. WALKENSHAW, graduate H. S. C., Toronto, has resigned her position in Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, O., and intends doing private work in Toronto.

MISS E. ARCHER has resigned her position as Superintendent of the Moosomin Hospital.

MISS POMEROY has taken up work in connection with the Victorian Order of Nurses in Montreal.

MISS MARY GRAY has been doing post-graduate work in the operating theatre of the H. S. C. during the last five weeks.

MISS EDITH GAMBLE, a recent graduate of the V. P. H., Fredericton, N.B., is engaged in private nursing in Duluth, Minn.

MISS WHITMARSH has returned to the Superintendency of the Fenwick Sanitarium, Abbeville, La., after an absence of two years.

MISS A. SIMS has returned to hospital work, and has been appointed Superintendent of Memorial Hospital, Morristown, N.J.

MISS ANTON, who has had charge of private wards in the Royal Victoria Hospital for over five years, has left for her home in Ireland.

MISS MARGARET A. CRINGLE has recently been appointed Third Assistant in the Training School for Nurses, Toronto General Hospital.

MISS M. JONES, who has had charge of the preliminary course in the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, has taken charge of the Grant Memorial Hospital, Columbus, Ohio.

THE Trustees of the V. P. H., Fredericton, N.B., have had the "Asa Dow Wing," for contagious diseases, enlarged and improved. The building was ready for use by the end of November, with accommodation for both public and private ward patients.

WE have learned with great regret of the serious illness of Mrs. Strachan (Miss Gladstone), at her home in Fort William. Dr. J. F. W. Ross, with his usual kindness, went to Fort William for a consultation for her benefit.

MISS PURDY, Head Nurse of the Pavilion, T. G. H., has improved in health and has gone to spend Christmas at her home in Kincardine. Miss Stirling, who accompanied Miss Purdy, will spend Christmas at her home in Goderich.

FOR the first time the School of Nursing in connection with Toronto General Hospital has issued a calendar, which will be found of great interest by all concerned. It contains much important information.

OF the class of nurses who graduated in June last from St. Joseph's Hospital, London, Ont., all have settled down to work in the city, with the exception of Miss E. Cummins, who accepted a position in the Skene Sanitarium, Brooklyn, N.Y. These nurses have been very steadily employed since leaving the hospital and are very much encouraged by the success they have met with thus far. Early in the new year a class of six will graduate.

MISS McLEOD, graduate Kingston General Hospital, has gone to take charge of the Parry Sound Hospital. Miss Hamer, a graduate of St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, takes charge of the operating room.

MISS FLORENCE G. ASHTON, whose essay won the prize of \$75.00 offered by the Alumnae Association to the Graduating Class of the Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, is a Canadian, and the daughter of the principal of the Indian School on the Mohawk Reserve, near Brantford.

MISS EUGENIA BELLEPERCHE, graduate St. Joseph's Hospital Chatham ('06), has taken up private nursing in the city for a time. Miss Edith McCrie, a graduate of the same school ('04), has been ill with typhoid fever. Her friends will be pleased to hear she has recovered and is convalescing at her home in Mandacemin, Ont.

Two notable appointments have just been made in New York. Miss Goodrich, Superintendent of the New York Hospital Training School for Nurses has been appointed Inspector of Bellevue and five other large city hospital training-schools; and Miss Alline has been appointed Inspector of Training-Schools for the State of New York. We congratulate both ladies, and wish them great success in their new and very important positions.

THE new Nurses' Residence at the Royal Victoria Hospital is fast approaching completion, and the Superintendent, Miss Henderson, looks forward to its occupation by the nurses at an early date. The effects of the recent fire at the Royal Victoria will not only be overcome by the new buildings, but the hospital will, in the end, be in a greatly improved position, so far as accommodation and equipment is concerned. The new rooms for hydrotherapy are admirable in their plan and equipment.

THE graduating exercises of the Hamilton City Hospital were held in the Nurses' Residence on November 15, 1906. The following nurses received their diplomas and badges: Barbara Simpson, Hamilton, Ont.; Esther Evans, Hamilton, Ont.; Etta McLeay, Watford, Ont.; Josie Mayne, Woodstock, Ont.; Beatrice Harvey, Hanley, Sask.; Margaret Hickey, Woodstock, Ont.; Edna Storms, Violet, Ont.; Rosa Branscombe, Hanley, Sask.; Millie Hanham, Wellandport, Ont.; Wilhelmina Adam, Hamilton; Mary Cumberland, Alliston, Ont.; Jennie Quinsey, Hamilton; Anna Hennessey, Hamilton; Mabel Dunlop, Hamilton.

THE new wing at the Western Hospital, Toronto, to be known as the Alexandra Wing, was formally opened on Wednesday, November 28th. A reception, which was very much enjoyed, was given by the Board of Governors and the Ladies' Board. Dr. Augusta Stowe-Gullen took occasion to ask for the interest and support of the friends of the hospital for the new Nurses' Home, which it is hoped will be erected in the near future, and for which a considerable sum has already been subscribed.

The Alumnae Association of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, intend to hold an informal open meeting on January 10, 1907, at 3.00 p.m., in the Nurses' Residence. Music, readings and an address from the President, Miss Hamilton, will form the programme. Tea will be served at 4.30.

THE many friends of Miss Souris (T.G.H., 1897), will learn with great regret of her untimely death on December 10th. An operation for the temporary relief of pain and distress was performed while she was in a private ward at T. G. H., but as nothing further could be done, Miss Souris returned to her home, accompanied by her two nurses. With all her wonted courage and cheer Miss Souris unselfishly and bravely bore what few could bear, and died as she had lived, a heroine.

A NEW story is being added to the Nurses' Home at Montréal General Hospital, which will make the building much more complete and comfortable. A large part of this great hospital has been rebuilt, or newly erected, in recent years. It is a most interesting place to see. One of the first things to attract the attention of a stranger is a brass tablet to the left of the spacious entrance hall, which records the noble generosity of Mr. George Chetwoode Hamilton, who, "dying at an early age, and in a foreign land," left to the hospital one hundred thousand dollars.

ON December 1, Miss Snively, Lady Superintendent and Superintendent of the Training School for Nurses, Toronto General Hospital, completed twenty-two years' service in that onerous and responsible position. There are few indeed who have discharged so long such arduous duties, and fewer still who have done so much as she for the advancement of the profession. THE CANADIAN NURSE would offer to Miss Snively the kindest congratulations on the anniversary, and express the hope that she may long be spared to continue her faithful and devoted and very valuable services to the profession and to the community.

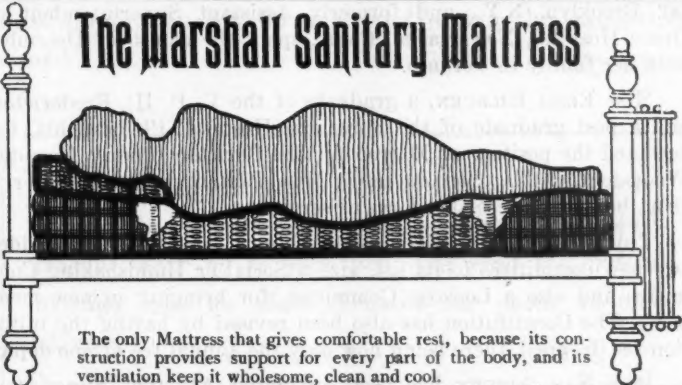
THE annual meeting of the Nurses' Alumnae Association of the Kingston General Hospital was held at the hospital on May 15th, 1906. The officers elected for the year were: Hon. President, Miss Gordon; President, Mrs. Tilly; First Vice-President, Miss Veale; Second Vice-President, Miss Draper; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Nicol; Assistant Secretary, Miss Patterson; Convener of Surgical Supply Cupboard, Miss Wilson, assisted by all the members of the Alumnae. In the report of 1905 mention was made of the Alumnae Association's efforts to establish a library in connection with the Nurses' Home. Many donations of books have been received. A donation from Mrs. Mowat is deserving of special mention. At a garden party held in the hospital grounds in June, 1905, \$84.00 was realized. This amount has been placed to the credit of the Nurses' Home Fund. A donation of \$5.00 from Mrs. Wartman, Colebrook, has been credited to the same fund. During the year five new members joined the Association.



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MISS BRENT, Superintendent H. F. S. C., Toronto, will spend her vacation with her niece, Mrs. Millspough, Los Angeles, Cal. Miss Brent expects to be away for six weeks.

MISS JEAN PEARCE, graduate, St. Joseph's Hospital, Chatham, is at present visiting her sister in San Francisco. She intends later to take up her work there.

MISS B. GAULD, of Winnipeg, graduate, G. and M. H., St. Catharines, has recovered from an attack of typhoid fever, and is back at work again.

MISS SNIVELY is At Home to the graduates of the T. G. H. on the evening of the first Tuesday of each month. The idea is to encourage the friendly relations existing between the nurses and their Alma Mater.

At the last meeting of the Alumnae Association of the T. G. H. it was decided to make all the Missionary Nurses from the school honorary members of the Association.

MISS EDNA PONDE, who graduated in November from the Chipman Memorial Hospital, St. Stephens, N.B., has accepted a position in Mrs. Richard's private hospital, at Fredericton, N.B. She will take up her new duties on December 15th.

MISS ANNA DUNN, graduate St. Joseph's Hospital, Chatham, has been ill with typhoid fever. Her many friends will be pleased to hear of her recovery and return to her home in the city, where she intends taking a much needed rest.

MISS SALMON, Superintendent of the Prospect Heights Hospital, Brooklyn, N.Y., and formerly Assistant Superintendent of Grace Hospital, New Haven, Conn., spent the month of December with her family in Toronto.

MISS ELIZA KILBURN, a graduate of the V. P. H., Fredericton, and a post graduate of the Polyclinic Hospital, Philadelphia, has accepted the position of Matron for the Carleton County Hospital, Woodstock, N.B. She succeeds Miss Bolton, resigned, after a short but very successful term of service.

THE Toronto General Hospital Alumnae Association has added two new committees to its list, viz., a Social or Handshaking Committee and also a Lookout Committee, for bringing in new members. The Constitution has also been revised by having the initiation fee dropped, there being now only the annual fee of one dollar.

MISS NAN AITKEN has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of the Western (General) Hospital, Montreal, and enters on her new duties January 1, 1907. The new Assistant Superintendent is a graduate of the Montreal Western General Hospital Training School, one of the training schools which is steadily coming to the front. The Superintendent is Miss Rahmo Aitken (T. G. H.), formerly Head Nurse of the private wards in the T. G. H.

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MISS K. SULLIVAN, graduate of H. S. C., '06, has accepted a position as Head Nurse in the Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, O.

MISS LEWIS, a graduate of the Royal Victoria Hospital, has been appointed Superintendent of Nurses at the Montreal Maternity Hospital. During the last year the new hospital has been opened and is situated on the corner of Prince Arthur and St. Urbain Streets, a very much better part of the city than that in which the old one was situated. Beside being a beautiful building, it is thoroughly well equipped, and under such conditions the work is sure to extend. Miss Lewis has been for nearly four years Assistant Superintendent of the Albany Hospital, and, added to this, has had experience in hospital work in both Cleveland and Baltimore.

A VERY pleasing event occurred at Guelph General Hospital on the afternoon of December 3rd, when Miss Sheppard, who has been for thirteen years Superintendent of the hospital, and is now Superintendent of the Berlin and Waterloo Hospital, was presented with an address and a purse of gold by the Ladies' Aid Association of the Hospital. The presentation was made by Mrs. Kenneth McLean, and the address read by Mr. W. E. Buckingham. Mr. Kenneth McLean replied on behalf of Miss Sheppard. The chair was taken by Dr. Kennedy, and among those present were Messrs. D. Guthrie, K.C., M.P.; Dr. Lindsay, Dr. Hobbs and J. P. Downey, M.P.P.

THE members of the Alumnae Association of the Royal Victorian Hospital had great pleasure in welcoming Dr. MacMurchy, editor of THE CANADIAN NURSE, and Miss Mitchell, Convener of the Publication Committee to their monthly meeting, November 14th. Dr. MacMurchy spoke of her work, under the Ontario Government, for the feeble-minded. Great interest and sympathy was aroused by the recital of the troubles these patients fall into through their inability to protect themselves. Though the parents mostly prefer to keep these children at home, it is thought they would be far better if placed in an institution where they can have skilled care and be taught a useful occupation. Miss Mitchell asked the nurses to take a still greater interest in their magazine, THE CANADIAN NURSE, also asked for practical help in their effort to make it a monthly issue. After the adjournment of the meeting the nurses had pleasant conversation with their visitors at the reception, showing that their interest had been thoroughly aroused.

THE monthly meeting of the Alumnae of the Winnipeg General Hospital Training School for Nurses was held on the first Wednesday of the month in the Nurses' Home sitting room at the General Hospital. The meeting was only fairly well attended, as many of those usually present were out of town, either in private homes or filling temporary positions in some of the many over-crowded hospitals throughout the West. The usual monthly business was transacted. The Alumnae Register, open to all trained nurses in



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good standing, is in a flourishing condition. It was started in the fall of 1904 and now has 150 members. It is managed by Miss Sara McKibbin, who is also in charge of the Trained Nurses' Home on Langside street. A committee was appointed to arrange for a paper for discussion at each meeting. The starting of an Alumnae magazine was talked of with much interest by those present, but finally the matter was left over until the next month. After the meeting was over Miss Wilson entertained those present to an informal afternoon tea, and a very enjoyable hour was spent.

THE Central Registry Committee is very much pleased that the CANADIAN NURSE is now to become a monthly, and extends congratulations to the Editor and staff on this marked evidence of their success. We know the members of the Central Registry will be pleased to see a monthly statement from the Registry. The Registrar's report on December 3rd showed the membership to be 221, with 4 applications to consider. There were 91 calls in November, 69 Registry, 22 personal. Amount in Bank, \$314; on hand, \$5; and \$215 still owing Registry from unpaid fees. During November the following nurses resigned to accept hospital positions: Miss McLeod (K.G.), Parry Sound; Miss Smith (G.H.), Blind River, with Miss Ashford (England) as assistant; Misses McIsaac and Sargent (T.G.H.), Edmonton; Miss Lawson (T.G.H.), Free Sanitarium, Gravenhurst; Miss Owen (K.G.), Parish Nurse for St. James' Cathedral. It is with feelings of sadness and deep regret that we record the death of one member of our Committee—Miss Haldenby—whose great interest and just, kindly judgment made her assistance invaluable.—B. Crosby, Convener.

THE Toronto Nurses' Social Club held its initial meeting in the Temple Building on the evening of November 21st, and although the evening was very stormy, there was a large attendance, especially of the undergraduates of the hospitals. Miss Brent, Superintendent of the Sick Children's Hospital, occupied the chair. Mrs. Scott-Raff, the principal of the Margaret Eaton School of Expression, lectured on "Self-Control," and all present, even the tired nurses from the hospitals, enjoyed the talk. Mrs. Raff thinks we are much indebted to the Greeks for our ideals of self-control, for the poise and serenity which the art of their best period reveals to us. To study the mystery of our own bodies, to gain control of the mind as well as the body, to develop the body through proper culture, are aims worthy of the highest endeavor. When the art of Greece became decadent rough athletics took the place of the better and finer culture and a lower form of physique prevailed. Rome, who borrowed all that was best in Greek art, fell still further, and the wrestling of the athletes degenerated into mere gladiatorial contests. Since the human race has sought and found God in Nature it is saner, and wiser, and healthier, more symmetrically developed, mentally, morally and physically. Self-

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The Tenth Annual Meeting of the Canadian Nurses' Association was held in Y. W. C. A. library on Tuesday evening, October 2.

The reports of Secretary-Treasurer and Registrar were read, and showed an increase of the work done during the year. There were 1,160 registrations, and we have filled 1,036 cases, 90 of which were out of town. In the months of July and August the calls could not nearly all be attended to, owing to a lack of nurses. This is no new experience, however, as we are never able to cope with the summer work.

Last year our members numbered 220, and a few extra were added during the year. This year we begin our work with a smaller membership, owing to the fact that some members have been married, others are about to be, and several have taken up institutional work in the city or other places, to all of whom we wish success and happiness in their new fields of work or rest.

We have to record with deep regret the loss by death of one of our members, Miss Fair, a graduate of the M. G. Hospital. She was always much interested in the work of the Association, and we shall miss her greatly.

Six lectures were delivered during the winter, which were greatly appreciated by those who were able to attend, and our thanks are due the doctors for their kindness in delivering them. Dr. George Fisk on "Insurance," Dr. Nicholl on "Typhoid," Dr. Day on "Blood," Dr. Garrow, on "The Duties of a Nurse," Dr. Abbott, on "The Heart," Dr. D. Grey, on "Obstetrics."

By the kind consent of the Governors of McGill University, Dr. Maud Abbott was able to give us her lecture in the Pathological Department of McGill. The subject, "The Human Heart in Health and in Disease," was most interesting, and she showed us numbers of specimens of this important organ.

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meetings, and have found it most difficult to procure just what we require. In our dilemma the doctors very kindly came to our relief, and have allowed us to use the rooms of the M. C. Society, for which we owe them a debt of gratitude.

Last year we started a Sick Benefit Fund, which the members will find helpful.

In November we had the great pleasure of having Dr. Helen MacMurchy and Miss Mitchell of Toronto, with us. The former gave us a most interesting address, which will act as a stimulus to greater things to all who had the privilege of hearing it. We were also much pleased to hear Miss Mitchell's report of the growth of THE CANADIAN NURSE, and wish it every success. We shall welcome it with pride as a monthly magazine.

MARRIED.

HONEYWELL—BRYANS.—On Wednesday, November 21st, at Halifax, N.S., by the Rev. Thomas Fowler, Etta Bruce Bryans, of Toronto, to Dr. William Honeywell, Hunter River, P.E.I.

At the Church of the Redeemer, on October 31st, Mr. A. E. Bell to Miss Annie Campbell (H. S. C.).

BIRTHS.

WILSON.—At Woodstock, Ont., in November, a son to Mrs. Bert Wilson (née Campbell). Mrs. Bert Wilson was a graduate of the G. and M. H., St. Catharines.

OUR strength grows out of our weakness. Not until we are pricked and stung and sorely shot at, awakens the indignation which arms itself with secret forces. A great man is always willing to be little. Whilst he sits on the cushion of advantages he goes to sleep. When he is pushed, tormented, defeated, he has a chance to learn something; he has been put on his wits, on his manhood; he has gained facts; learns his ignorance; is cured of the insanity of deceit; has got moderation and real skill.

The wise man always throws himself on the side of his assailants. It is more his interest than theirs to find his weak point. Blame is safer than praise. I hate to be defended in a newspaper. As long as all that is said is against me, I feel certain of success. But as soon as honeyed words of praise are spoken for me, I feel as one that lies unprotected before his enemies. In general, every evil to which we do not succumb is a benefactor.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

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1889.

Birtles, Eleanor, at home, Alexander.
Birtles, Sarah, superintendent Brandon Hospital.
McDougall, Jessie, private nurse, Edmonton, Sask.
Laidlaw, Margaret C. (now Mrs. A. Clark), Dublin, Ireland.
McVicar, Margaret, at home, Ontario.

1890.

Clinton, Mrs. A. G., matron of home, Kamloops, B.C.
McKay, Isabella (now Mrs. J. Mole), British Columbia.
Todd, Mrs. J. R. (now Mrs. Bullock), West Selkirk, Man.
Barber, Harriet (now Mrs. Graham), Winnipeg.

1891.

Inkster, Agnes, private nurse, Winnipeg.
Simpson, Marion G., private nurse, Victoria, B.C.
Moore, Isabella (now Mrs. Cheshire), Winnipeg.

1892.

Kennedy, Caroline, private nurse, Winnipeg.
Richards, Ada, private nurse, New York.
Holland, Bessie (now Mrs. A. W. Moody), Winnipeg.
Ransford, E. M. A., deceased.
Scott, A. H. L. (now Mrs. Calder), private nurse, Winnipeg.
McLachlan, Annie, head nurse, Sanitarium, Banff.

1893.

Monteith, Rachel (now Mrs. Scarth), Griswold.
May, Frances, matron, Hospital, Charleston, N.C.
Mowat, Margaret (now Mrs. Stephens), Greenwood, B.C.
Russell, Lizzie (now Mrs. (Dr.) McInnes), Neepawa.
Holt, Sarah, matron, Hospital, Golden, B.C.
Lethbridge, Isabel, private nurse, California.
Thompson, Marion, at home, Edinburgh, Scotland.
Thompson, Ella (now Mrs. W. J. Osborne), Winnipeg.
Whiting, Louise (now Mrs. Arthur Smith), Montreal.

1894.

Young, Nellie, at home, Liverpool, England.
Fleming, Martha.
Richardson, Zella, private nurse, Winnipeg.
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1895.

Tait, Alice, staff nurse, Brainerd, Minn.
Francis, Rea, private nurse, Winnipeg.
Smith, May, private nurse, Vancouver, B.C.
Bunn, Isabella, private nurse, Selkirk.
Earle, Ellen (now Mrs. Gowan), private nurse, Vancouver, B.C.
Driscoll, Minnie (now Mrs. Fox), Kinbrae, Sask.
Elliot, Marie, surgical nurse, General Hospital, Vancouver, B.C.
Brown, Annie (now Mrs. Snider), Portage la Prairie, Man.
Holgate, Carrie (Mrs. (Dr.) Anderson, Brandon), deceased.
Burnham, Susan (now Mrs. Pollock), Maple Creek.
Davies, Edith (now Mrs. Williams), England.
Griffith, Henrietta (now Mrs. McDougall).
Picken, Elizabeth, private nurse, Vancouver.

1896.

Harries, Harriet, private nurse, Winnipeg.
Baker, Frances (now Mrs. Gough), Moosomin.
Sykes, Agnes, at home, Cranbrook, B.C.
Bennett, Emily (now Mrs. (Dr.) Andrews), Minnedosa.
Richards, Mabel (now Mrs. (Dr.) Young), Vancouver, B.C.

1897.

Membership, Ida, at home, Toronto.
McBride, Margaret (now Mrs. F. Morse), Winnipeg.
Picken, Sareta, private nurse, Vancouver.
Wilson, Jean (now Mrs. Alex. Wiley), Almonte, Ont.

1898.

Shepard, Violet (now Mrs. Goodbun), Shellmouth, Man.
Clark, Louise M. (Mrs. G. H. Moody, Lincoln Park), Winnipeg.
King, Maud (now Mrs. (Dr.) Brown), Carman, Man.
Stewart, Helen (now Mrs. Thomas), Deloraine.
Madge, Kathleen M., private nurse, Winnipeg.
McKibbin, Sara, private nurse, Winnipeg.
Youhill, Edith, private nurse, Winnipeg.
Fogarty, Rachel N., Superintendent Hospital, Bloemfontein, S.A.
Smith, Helen C., Superintendent Nurses' Home, New York.
Gilroy, Ethel, private nurse, Winnipeg.

1899.

Benson, Frances M. (Mrs. D. H. McDonald), Fort QuAppelle, Sask.
Wilson, Fredericka, Lady Superintendent, Winnipeg General Hospital.
Matheson, Jean, Superintendent Hospital, Kamloops, B.C.
Ross, M. M., private nurse, New York City.
Bodington, Helena B. (now Mrs. Meiklejohn), Calgary, Alta.
Markley, Annie L., head nurse, St. Luke's Nursing Home, Vancouver.
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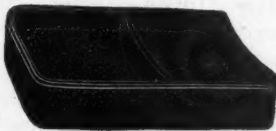
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Armit, Christina (now Mrs. (Dr.) Conklin), Vancouver, B.C.
Lumsden, Edith E., Assistant Lady Superintendent, Winnipeg
General Hospital, Man.
McLennan, Kate (now Mrs. (Dr.) Carter), Boissevain, Man.

1901.

Sanford, Etta, Night Superintendent, Winnipeg General Hospital.
Alexander, M. I. W. (now Mrs. Adam), Prince Albert.
McCreight, Jessie (now Mrs. (Dr.) Harrington), Dauphin.
Anderson, Kate (Mrs. Atkinson), Trail, B.C.
Hood, Clara M., private nurse, Winnipeg.
Abbott, Estelle, private nurse, Winnipeg.
Witherspoon, M. Jean (now Mrs. (Dr.) Thompson), Regina, Sask.
Macdonald, Flora S. (now Mrs. Musgrave), Regina.
Kidd, Mary, Superintendent, Hospital, Fernie, B.C.
Brown, Annie L. (now Mrs. (Dr.) Hill), Swan River.
Fogarty, Mary A., private nurse, Winnipeg.
McBride, Elizabeth, The Hospital, Michel, B.C.

1902.

McKay, Annie B., private nurse, Grand Forks, N.D.
Duncan, Francis M. (now Mrs. (Dr.) Burridge), Winnipeg, Man.
Shedden, Margaret (now Mrs. Bowles), Vancouver, B.C.
Brown, Kate McP. (now Mrs. Blasdale), Winnipeg.
Jones, Ada (Mrs. (Dr.) McGavin), Plum Coulee, deceased.
Snider, Mrs. Laura K., at home, Portage la Prairie.
Johns, Mary Ethel, staff nurse, Winnipeg General Hospital.
Lamont, Elizabeth, private nurse, Winnipeg.
Snider, Gertrude (Mrs. W. J. G. Stevens), Winnipeg.
Pattinson, Elizabeth (now Mrs. Dunning), Moosomin, Sask.
Duncan, Mary A., private nurse, Winnipeg.
Dodd, Mary A. (now Mrs. R. W. Coulthard), Fernie, B.C.
McFarlane, Kate, staff nurse, Fernie, B.C.
Stewart, Katherine, post graduate course, Memorial Hospital, New
York.
Owens, Annie, General Hospital, Moosomin, Sask.
Cross, Agnes (now Mrs. (Dr.) Creighton), Melita.
Stewart, Isabel M., private nurse, Winnipeg.
Hodgins, Hattie (now Mrs. Watt), Arcola, Sask.

1903.

Venables, Lucy, Superintendent General Hospital, Carman, Man.
Riddle, Sarah, private nurse, Winnipeg, Man.
Hilton, Alice (now Mrs. (Dr.) Wadge), Winnipeg.
Tinling, Margaret (now Mrs. McCarthy), Halifax, N.S.
Callin, Josie, private nurse, Vancouver, B.C.
Law, Ada, private nurse, Cranbrook, B.C.

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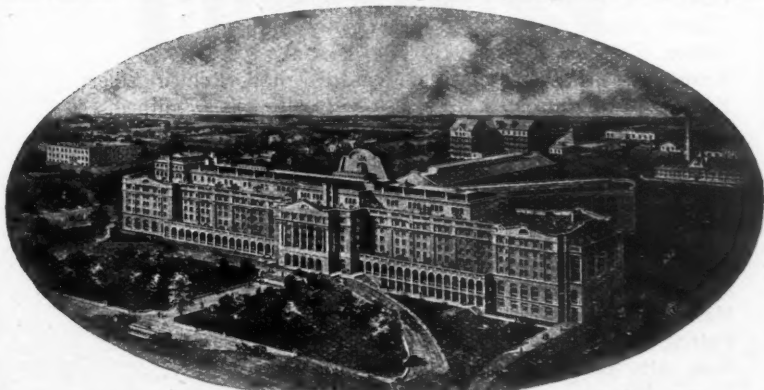
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THE HEAD NURSE.

If it be true that good nurses are born, not made, it is pre-eminently true of head nurses—those nurses who, having become proficient in the art of nursing and demonstrated their fitness for leadership, have had committed to their immediate charge a certain section or department of a hospital, and the direction of other nurses.

The nurse who undertakes this responsibility and successfully measures up to it, must possess not only the qualifications that are combined in a greater or less degree in good nurses in general, such as tact, patience, discreetness of speech, love for her work, neatness, dignity, self-control, but must have in addition the executive force needed to plan for others and direct, must have a womanly sweetness combined with strength, a gentleness backed by will force, must have an infinite capacity for details, must be able to rebuke without arousing antagonism, must have a genuine poise of soul that will enable her to meet with sweetness and courage the emergencies that are constantly arising in a hospital having an active service.

The head nurse carries a fourfold responsibility. She owes to the hospital with which she has identified herself her allegiance to its highest interests. She owes to its authorities respect, to her associates in service the courtesy demanded of a lady. She owes to the institution the preservation of a discreet silence regarding its internal affairs, such protection of its interests as her position enables her to give, no matter how antiquated, inefficient or inadequate she believes its service to be. If she wishes to introduce change in method, she owes it to those who in the final resort carry the responsibility, to consult them before attempting to instruct those over whom she has authority to deviate from the methods in vogue.

She owes to the physicians, who stand in the relation of superior officers, her respectful adherence to their orders, and, as far as may be, to their wishes and preferences. She owes to each physician her loyalty—not loyalty to Dr. Jones and an utter disregard of Dr. Brown's interest. She can often by a sentence, or

even a shake of the head at the right time, undermine a patient's confidence in Dr. Jones, but she has no right to do it, even though she does not like the man nor approve of his methods. She owes to the attending physicians absolute silence regarding their professional demerits or blunders.

She owes to the nurses whose work and conduct she directs a careful attention to the details of their service, a study of their individual characteristics, an intelligent use of all the means at her disposal, that will aid in their development as nurses, and an example that will be safe for them to follow.

What the head nurses of a hospital are we may expect the pupil nurses to be. This is one fact that needs especially to be borne in mind when choosing nurses for such places of responsibility. If the head nurses are lacking in dignity, free and familiar in their relations with physicians, harsh or unsympathetic in their bearing toward the patients, we may expect to see the same qualities expressed in the daily lives of the nurses. It is not alone a question of professional or executive ability; not alone what she can do, but what she is, that counts.

No nurse who has not learned the lesson of implicit obedience to authority, and practised it till it has become a habit of life, is fitted to command others. In a hospital, perhaps more than most institutions, it is necessary for military discipline, military precision, military obedience to prevail. This is one of the hard lessons for many head nurses to learn. It is difficult for them to measure accurately the degree of their influence upon others. Instead of creating in their subordinates a respect for authority, they manage to stir up questionings and doubts in the minds of pupil nurses as to the wisdom of this or that ruling. This is perhaps not often intentionally done, but, intentional or otherwise, the results are the same. The human tongue everywhere is capable of creating trouble unless controlled by principle, and the head nurse is in a good position both to create and to quell institutional disturbances.

The vital point at which many an otherwise capable head nurse fails is in the fact that she fails to see her place in the institutional situation clearly. She neither grasps its possibilities nor observes its limitations. It ought not to be necessary to remind a head nurse that she is not the superintendent, and that, above all, there must be one final authority, whose methods must be followed and whose will must be law, if order is to be preserved, but this fact is frequently overlooked. This phase of the head nurse problem makes itself keenly felt where are grouped in the same hospital several head nurses who are graduates of different schools. Each believes her methods superior to those of the other nurses, and practises them. If a steady, firm discipline is not maintained throughout the whole institution, confusion is sure to result. The pupil nurses, if taught by one head nurse that a

thing must be done this way, by a second that way, and by a third a totally different way, soon become careless, and think that "any old way will do," and who can blame them. This tendency among head nurses constitutes to-day one of the largest of the everyday problems of the superintendent. It is this one phase of the modern head nurse that leads many a superintendent to choose heads of departments exclusively from those trained in the institution, often to the detriment of the institution. There is no one hospital whose way of doing everything is the best known. The infusion of new ideas and new methods is desirable and cannot but be helpful, if it can be accomplished in the right way, after due consideration on the part of those in authority, and made a uniform practice throughout the institution.

Another great difficulty with many otherwise capable head nurses is their inability to see the needs of the institution as a whole. They become so engrossed with their own department that they allow themselves to get out of touch with other departments and with the general work of the hospital. If emergencies in other departments are allowed to affect them, if they are asked to spare a nurse temporarily to meet some unusual need in some other department, they forthwith feel that an injustice has been done to them, and they cherish a personal grievance against the superintendent. This is no imaginary difficulty. It is all too deplorably real, and is making the problem of training-school discipline tremendously more difficult in many a hospital. It is often stated that one cannot expect to get all the virtues combined in one person, but the virtue of unselfishness, of devotion to the interests of the institution as a whole, of justice and everyday kindness, should not be left out of reckoning when considering candidates for heads of departments. No nurse who gives unpleasant exhibitions of temper, or who feels that she is abused when asked to rearrange her plans, is fitted either to be entrusted with the care of a number of sick people or to command pupil nurses. An unwilling, selfish spirit, a spirit that rebels when called upon to meet the emergencies of hospital life, is not the spirit for successful leadership.

The head nurse should never be chosen from the class of nurses—unfortunately a very large one—that considers a nursing education finished at graduation. The head nurse who never studies will soon find herself out-distanced by the bright nurses in training over whom she is placed. None are quicker to note narrowness and limitations and lack of ambition than students, and the nurse who has no taste or inclination for study will find it a difficult matter to retain the respect of subordinates. It is true that the distractions of hospital work and the responsibilities of the life are not conducive to systematic habits of study, but if head nurses are to become efficient teachers and leaders, they must take time to plan and prepare; they must have a general knowledge of what is being taught by others.

Further than this, the head nurse needs to study people every hour of every day to understand human weaknesses and motives, conditions and habits, if she is to be, in deed and in truth, mistress of the situation.

CHARLOTTE A. AIKENS.

CHRONIC TUBERCULOSIS.

There are many different enterprises that call the trained nurse into action, and none more important than instructing and nursing tuberculous patients in their homes, where poverty and unsanitary conditions hold sway. The disregard and disbelief in the prevention of tuberculosis by those afflicted and those caring for them is only too noticeable by the district nurse on her daily rounds. Yet the "line upon line" and "precept upon precept" has already brought forth results. My experience in the work has convinced me that were all tuberculous persons reached and taught the care of the sputum, the necessity of continuously breathing fresh air, scrupulous cleanliness with the body, food, clothing and rooms conscientiously day by day, and caused to carry them out, the desired effect would be gained by those really desirous of recovery or relief. There is always the kindly neighbor who offers advice, which seems reasonable, but really works mischief, and the patent medicine which stimulates and deceives the patient for a time. But the nurse goes right on with the arduous task, and is rewarded by seeing her patients relieved under the instructions.

Great care must be taken to make the patients understand the treatment is largely in their own hands. If they are faithful in carrying out instructions, they soon find the troublesome cough and expectoration disappear.

A few days since a patient taking the treatment at a sanitarium returned to the city for a few days, where, mingling with others in a small house, he could not take the proper treatment, and there was no arrangement for taking fresh air, except by walking, which could not be kept up steadily. The result was the cough returned before the week ended, appetite failed, the energy gained during the month at the sanitarium disappeared. He was glad to return, and more satisfied to remain until cured.

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One case cared for thus last winter was confined to bed. The room, medium size, had one window, which was never closed except for bathing, etc.; he could not stand having the air heated, and the nurse, when sitting in the room, wore her outside wraps. He enjoyed the cold, said he could breathe more easily. He had no cough, seldom night sweats. These were held in check by atropin, gr. 1-150, taken at night. No fever; appetite, though variable and fanciful, was good. He never grew tired of cream, and drank one-half pint daily. It was seldom he required a laxative. He was allowed heroin, gr. 1-4 every four hours, when cough was troublesome, or if sleepless. He lived through winter and spring thus, without pain or much discomfort, but was gradually growing weaker, until the hot days of July, when diarrhœa became incessant. It was then morphine, gr. 1-4, was given to relieve pain and keep diarrhœa in check. He passed away without suffering. Though so long a bed patient, he was always manageable, patient and agreeable, and spent the long days much alone, recognizing the fact that others could not sit by him much with safety. The means used to relieve were blessed by the Great Physician, whom he recognized above all others.

Another patient who had spent months at Gravenhurst Sanitarium, was dismissed "not cured," and through the help of friends was moved from a one-roomed house in the city to a shack out in the country. The family consisted of a young wife and a puny three-months-old baby. They settled there with the determination to take the fresh air cure, and his previous training was put into effect. They were entirely dependent, and friends came readily to help. It was an ideal spot. The little shack was almost hidden from view by the fragrant pines and the slow-leaving oaks, and the nurse wended her way joyfully to this patient. He sat in the clear sunlight day by day, the baby swinging in a hammock near by. The ferns and violets, columbine and goldenrod all came in turn, with the graceful little bluebells nodding over all, making a beautiful garden of nature all the summer. No medicine was needed during this time, nor was there any sadness. It was a happy summer for them. Milk and eggs were partaken of plentifully, and the most appetizing and nutritious soup, made from beans, peas, tomatoes and celery. The quantity and quality of food for these cases require the nurse's careful supervision. Frequent examinations at the clinic showed he was "holding his own," and he spent the time happily, always expecting to get better again.

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The autumn came, and preparation was made to stay there for the winter. Friends again supplied the necessary things. The hardships borne by the young wife were never spoken of. The baby, knowing nothing, grew naturally, and was happy all day long. This patient has no pain, nor cough, is depressed only when the atmosphere is damp and heavy; he is likely to go on for some time. The nurse becomes more fond of these chronics, and would spend her life among them, because so much can be done to relieve.

One patient, very much emaciated, came to the clinic, after spending all trying to get a cure. He could not be persuaded to go to the hospital. One's heart was touched deeply by his weakness and irritability, and his intense longing for health. Those caring for him were worn and cross with his fretfulness. The least expression of sympathy would bring the tears to his eyes. He consented to go to the country, and after obtaining a small house in an open field, he began to carry out instructions. His cot was put under a wide-spreading maple. The things he so much needed were supplied regularly, which before were uncertain. The hay-scented air revived him; the quiet soothed him; the blue sky by day and the twinkling stars by night brought to his weary mind the Divine Teacher, and with Him came patience to bear the burden. As the "regimen of fresh air" took hold of him he became happy and contented, and friends wondered at the efficacy of fresh air, without medicine.

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CHRISTINA A. MITCHELL.

Toronto, Dec. 31st, 1906.

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The duties they discharge are: purchase of all linen supplies, including the material for nurses' uniforms; the general oversight of the stock room; receiving new goods purchased; checking bills for same; supervision of the exchange; inspection of the ward linen closets, sewing-room, mending-room and laundry; also rendering valuable assistance in securing donations of money towards the purchase of linen.

For the assistance of those who have not tried the exchange system it might be well to outline briefly the methods in use, which after five years' experience have been found to meet all the requirements.

One of our most practical arrangements is the mending room, which is situated in the laundry. Here all the linen is inspected by the Head Laundress, and all articles that do not permit of repair are laid aside and sent to the exchange room bi-monthly. On the day of the exchange the Principal of the Training School and two or three of the probationers attend at the exchange room and match systematically and carefully each article from the linen supply. Then under supervision of two or three members of the Linen Supply Committee the articles are verified, counted and recorded on forms gotten up for that purpose.

After the exchange has been made, and names cut from the old linen, it is sorted and rolled into neat bundles and sent to the Housekeeper's supply room to be used for cleaning purposes. Part is retained in the store-room, from whence it can be obtained on requisition for the use of the wards.

The new linen is sent from the stock-room to the sewing-room, together with the exchange form, where it is again carefully verified, marked and sent to the laundry for distribution to the different departments.

After the articles are verified with the exchange forms in the sewing-room the forms are sent to the bookkeeper, who, for a small sum, is engaged to do the necessary bookkeeping. By so doing, the books are kept in good order, making it possible to keep careful account of the necessary details and to see exactly the whole outlay for the linen and the distribution of the same.

**We are indebted to Miss Ellis, Principal of the Training School, and Miss Scholfield, the Housekeeper, for this valuable article.*

Estimating roughly, the cost of our linen amounts to about \$3,000 per annum, the capacity of the hospital being about 218 beds with a large staff of nurses and resident physicians.

Much care is given to the marking of linen. All the cotton articles are marked with indelible ink made in our own pharmacy. The marking is found to be perfectly clear when the garment is worn out. The linen goods are marked by means of an attachment to the sewing machine. The names are stitched in with red thread, and this plan has proved most satisfactory.

The exchange system reveals the fact that in spite of all the care taken there is a large loss of small articles, principally dust-ers, wash cloths, towels of all kinds, abdominal binders, T binders, table napkins and children's clothing. Just where this loss takes place we do not know.

This shortage has to be made up by means of requisitions approved and signed by the Superintendent of the hospital. Linen for new departments is also obtained in this way.

In order to obtain uniformity in size and material and because it is quite as economical, we purchase ready-made adult and children's night-gowns, sheets for the wards and officers, size 72 x 99, for operating-rooms, dispensary and children's ward, size 54 x 52, underwear, overalls, pillow slips, and a few other things. The other supplies are manufactured in our own sewing-room, as well as the nurses' uniforms. The sewing-room requisitions for supplies from the stock-room are presented on the exchange day when the materials are issued.

The experience gained by the probationers in assisting with the bi-monthly exchange we regard as valuable from a practical educational standpoint. They not only see the large amount of new linen that is required to keep up the every-day supply of the hospital, but they are given an insight into the system and get a very good idea of the actual cost. It is also an inspiration for them to see the interested efforts of the members of the Linen Supply Committee, who so willingly give to the hospital many hours of their time, their evident pleasure in the performance of the most humble duties connected with their branch of the work, also their practical knowledge of the necessary details.

We now have in our stock-room only the things that have been tested and are found to be the best for the purpose intended. This insight has not been gained without some loss and much consideration both by the Linen Supply Committee and the Principal of the Training School.

In estimating the linen supply for any Hospital we must always take into consideration the general plan of our laundry, as that has a great deal to do with the amount needed. In connection with the laundry we have to consider first of all its general plan, its ability to turn out linen promptly, if it does general washing every day or if it washes daily only certain articles, or perhaps blankets and all woolen goods once a week. We have to

take into consideration the fact that as a rule laundry help work only one half day on Saturdays, also that the laundry is closed on Sundays and all public holidays.

At Lakeside Hospital the Head Nurses order their linen supply daily, the surplus linen is sent to the Central Linen Supply room, and emergency orders are filled there if necessary.

In order to prevent the staining of our good linen in caring for cases of skin disease, the Committee has provided what we call "Dermatitis Linen." This supply is kept in the Laundry and is issued to any ward that requisitions for it.

A brief outline of the statistical report of the Linen Supply Committee for one year may be of interest and value:

Number of articles exchanged, 6,725.

Number of articles by requisition, 834; total, 7,559.

Number of exchange days during the year, 24.

Average number of articles each exchange day, 315.

Total number of yards of goods issued during the year, 11,028 $\frac{3}{4}$.

Number of yards issued each exchange day, 460.

Number of articles made during the year in the sewing room, 2,488.

THE TRAINED NURSE, AND HER INFLUENCE IN THE COMMUNITY.*

In the first place allow me to express my appreciation of the honor you have conferred upon me in selecting me to address you on this occasion. I have been closely associated with the Western Hospital Training School for Nurses ever since its inception, and have watched with considerable pride the course of its graduates, many of whom are now occupying enviable positions of trust and responsibility in Canadian and American hospitals. It was largely, I believe, through my influence, while President of the Toronto Medical Society, that its doors were thrown freely open to the lady practitioners of this city. There always has been, and still is, some doubt in the minds of many as to the advisability of the fair sex entering the medical profession. Not so with the nursing profession, here the field is practically all your own, and who does not welcome the trained nurse into the home in time of sickness or suffering? Many more failures would follow the efforts of the physician and surgeon were it not for the skilled co-operation of the nurse whose timely aid frequently makes all the difference between success and failure, between life and death.

In the limited time at my disposal to-night I shall only be able

*An address delivered at a recent meeting of the Alumnae Association, The Western Hospital, Toronto.

to outline briefly some of the ways in which you may influence for good the community in which you reside. The details I shall leave you to work out at your leisure.

One of the most pressing duties and one of the most exacting aims of the nurse as well as of the family physician should be the reduction of the mortality caused by a wrong or a tardy diagnosis of the commoner grave diseases which are frequently met with. We all know that in any emergency, or sudden illness, if a trained nurse is convenient her advice is sought even before the doctor is sent for. How very important it is that her knowledge should be equal to the occasion. And with a very little careful study it may be so. Take, for example, a patient with an intense, sudden, tearing, rending abdominal pain, often severe enough to produce collapse, and usually associated with sharp vomiting. That condition is common to a comparatively small class of cases. These are:

1. Ruptured ectopic pregnancy.
2. Ruptured pyosalpinx.
3. Rupture of appendiceal abscess into the general peritoneal cavity.
4. Rupture of gastric ulcer.
5. Rupture of duodenal ulcer.
6. Rupture of gall bladder.

Note that all these are ruptures of important organs, permitting the escape of irritating fluids into a healthy peritoneal cavity. You can plainly see that in such a case nothing short of surgical aid will avail. Advise sending for a surgeon at once. Do not give a hypodermic of morphia and thus so mask the symptoms that the surgeon cannot make an accurate diagnosis. Morphia should never be given until the diagnosis is made and the plan of treatment decided upon. I think it would be well if every nurse had the leading symptoms of some of these commoner diseases written out in her notebook and then committed to memory.

Now, ladies, this brings me to the most important part of my address. Should you act upon the suggestions about to be given, your influence for good will be felt in your community. You will be a great blessing to womankind, and you will be the means of saving many a life.

Many years of clinical experience has taught us that cancer of the uterus, especially of the cervix, is the most frequent as well as the most fatal form of malignant diseases to which womankind is exposed. The reason of this is that the diagnosis is not usually made until the disease is so far advanced and surgery is resorted to, with the result that many recurrences occur. Examples of both of these conditions some of you have seen with me over and over again during your course. This is not as it should be. Ninety per cent. of those who die annually of this dread disease could be saved by very early diagnosis and operation, and it is just here you must

use your influence in educating the people in the early diagnosis of this fatal malady. Cancer is on the increase, and Park's well-known statement may, with advantage, be quoted here: "If the same death rate is maintained for the next ten years, the State of New York will have more deaths from cancer than from tuberculosis, smallpox and typhoid fever combined." I will again quote a few questions and answers from a paper written by Dr. Dührssen, of Berlin.

Q. Why, out of 25,000 patients with cancer of the uterus, do 23,000 or 24,000 die every year in the German Empire?

A. Because these thousands come too late to the doctor.

Q. How can these thousands be saved in the future?

A. By coming to the surgeon while the cancer is still confined to the uterus. Under these circumstances it can be cured with certainty by an operation almost free from danger.

Q. What is the duty of the general practitioner towards cancer of the uterus?

A. The general practitioner should regard as cancer every case, of whatever age, that comes to him complaining of discharge or bleeding until an immediate examination (during the bleeding if necessary), proves with certainty that no cancer exists. And what is true of the German Empire is approximately true of other countries.

Now the question is: What part can you take—what part are you willing to take in this crusade against cancer of the uterus? I claim that it is your duty to assist the medical profession in educating the people on the following points:

1. That every midwifery patient should go to her doctor six or eight weeks after delivery to ascertain her exact condition, and if a laceration of the cervix exists have it repaired.

2. That cancer of the cervix is essentially a disease of married women. Pregnancy and the trauma of labor play an important part in the after production of cancer. The speaker makes it a rule to ask all his obstetric patients to come to his office six or eight weeks after delivery that he may determine the exact position and condition of the uterus.

3. That every kind of discharge or bleeding, be it severe menstrual bleeding, bleeding not connected with menstruation, or bleeding in the menopause, may be the first indication of cancer of the uterus.

4. That cancer of the uterus always leads, if untreated, or if treated by non-operative methods, to a painful illness and a dreadful death.

5. That cancer of the uterus can be permanently cured by early operation, and with almost no danger to life.

6. That patients must never waste valuable time in trying Viavi or orange blossom, or by consulting a midwife, quack, faith healer or Christian Scientist.

Never mind if you do frighten the people, you cannot help

that, the scare is easier cured than the cancer, just remember the awful condition of some of these poor women who come to our clinic with their chances for life almost gone. Medical practitioners, medical students and trained nurses should have it impressed upon them that women should be made to understand:

1. That cancer of the uterus is prone to occur between the ages of thirty-five and fifty-five. It may in exceptional cases come earlier or later.

2. That it is a local growth at first, and curable in its early stages.

3. That irregular and unusual uterine bleeding at any time of life, but more especially between the ages of thirty-five and fifty-five, is a symptom requiring investigation.

4. That the return of the flow, after the establishment of the menopause, is one of the gravest of symptoms.

5. That leucorrhoea is a symptom of diseased condition requiring investigation, but too frequently neglected.

6. That change of life means cessation of menstruation, and that increased flow at a time when menstruation is expected to cease is a danger signal.

7. That pain is a symptom that appears late and should not be expected or looked for as a sign of cancer in the early stages.

The day before yesterday I saw, in consultation with Dr. J. S. Hart, a lady sixty-five years old. She had only called in her physician a few hours before I saw her, on account of a rather severe hemorrhage. She gave a history of having passed the change of life fifteen years ago. Had enjoyed good health and looked strong and vigorous when I saw her. She said that for the last seven or eight weeks she had been having a slight watery discharge, on one or two occasions there was a tinge of blood with it. No pain, and not confined to bed till she sent for the doctor. She did not consider herself ill, although she had not been feeling just as well as usual for some months. On examination we found the cervix uteri almost all eaten away by cancer, and the disease already extending onto the vaginal walls. It was too far gone for radical operation, all that can be done is to palliate and relieve. No doubt there are thousands of such sad discoveries made every year in our own country.

The four symptoms that stand out prominently in cancer of the uterus are:

1. Hemorrhage.

2. Discharge (leucorrheal or watery, and these may precede the hemorrhage).

3. Pain.

4. General constitutional symptoms.

I believe the time is coming when the daily press will come to our aid in educating the public on this subject. The public press is ever ready to publish every new cure that comes out for cancer, and so far these have mostly been useless. Would it not be better

to publish the earliest symptoms of cancer, so that the disease might be removed while permanent cure is still possible. It might also save many women from wasting valuable time in quackery, and only coming to the physician when their chances of a radical cure had almost, if not quite, reached the vanishing point.

When the diagnosis of cancer is made there should be no uncertain sound in the warning voice. The facts should be boldly and plainly stated. Even though the information imparted seems cruel in its frankness, valuable time must not be wasted, a valuable life must not be lost; but if a life is to be lost, let it be the patient's suicide and not a moral murder by those who should know better. May you never have the burden on your conscience of allowing a sufferer from uterine cancer to go unwarned or unexamined until the odor from the breaking down tissues takes voice and cries in vain to the highest heavens for help against the deadly enemy that is gnawing away at the vitals of God's grandest handiwork—Woman.

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In a letter from Miss Mayou, dated December 10th, she says: "St. Anthony is the most extensive of Dr. Grenfell's Labrador Mission Stations, and is doing a great deal towards the uplifting and educating of the people. It really is wonderful what he has done, and caused Government and authorities to do, for this part of Newfoundland and the 2,000 miles of Labrador coast over which he has jurisdiction as J.P., lay reader and medical attendant. Previous to his coming, fifteen years ago, the settlers and summer fishermen were totally neglected, no thought being given to their mental, moral or spiritual welfare. Dr. Grenfell has changed much of that and awakened the authorities to a sense of their needs. Very few of those who are above 20 years of age can either read or write, and many under that age cannot. No school teachers were sent or thought of, and now one comes to each settlement for only seven months every second or third year, so the people are very ignorant, but anxious to learn. Consequently our work here is largely educational. We devote our spare time to teaching, and have begun classes for Bible study, sewing for women, another for girls, weaving, spinning, basket-making, singing, drawing, carpentering, gymnastics and ordinary night school on three evenings of the week. There are two patients here with beri-beri, to whom I give massage and electricity; they are improving fast. We have nine patients in all, seven men and two women. There are ten orphans whom I help Miss Storr to look after and train, so you see my work is varied."



Governor Fraser, of Nova Scotia, opened the Pictou Cottage Hospital, December 6th. A number of people were present from the town and surrounding country and many donations were made to the Hospital. The building will accommodate twelve patients and is entirely free of debt. Miss Beatrice Pearce, a graduate of Victoria General Hospital, London, Ont., is in charge, with Miss Kayenberg as assistant.



DEEP SEA MISSION HOSPITAL, BATTLE HARBOUR, LABRADOR.

W. F. Luxton, founder of the *Winnipeg Free Press*, and Inspector of Public Institutions for Manitoba, speaks thus of the Victorian Hospital at Swan River, Man.: "It is simply perfect. Clean and orderly in spite of the fact that while the normal accommodation is ten patients there are to-day fifteen on the roll. You have an institution of which you may justly be proud, and it is managed by a matron whom in my opinion it would be difficult to replace." Mrs. Mounsey, a graduate of Toronto General Hospital, is in charge here.

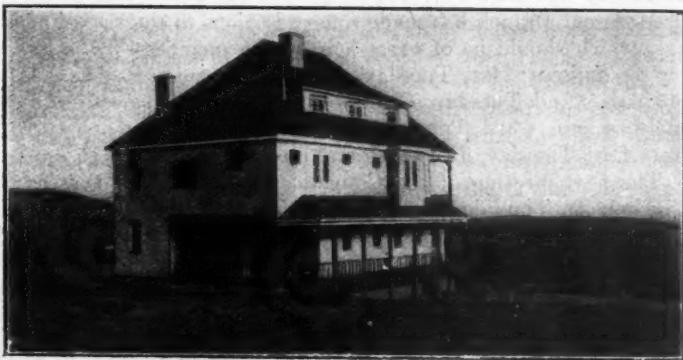


HARRINGTON, CANADIAN LABRADOR.
Taken from SS. *Strathcona* at Anchor.

Hamilton and Vancouver Districts have each increased their staff to three nurses. The city of Vancouver has appointed Miss Cruikshank Head Nurse of the Vancouver District, Executive Secretary for the Helping Hand Associated Charities. She investigates all cases sent in and distributes clothing and food when necessary.

Miss Annie G. Smith, formerly Matron of Regina Hospital, was married, December 17th, to Mr. Cecil Smith, C.E., of Regina, Miss Chalmers, formerly Head Nurse, has been appointed to Miss Smith's position, and Miss Travers, graduate of Memorial Hospital, Worcester, Mass., leaves in a few days to fill the position of Head Nurse.

The May Court Club, of Ottawa, gave a tea and Christmas tree to a number of children, Christmas afternoon. A large percentage of the children had been patients of the nurses in the district. The nurses were asked to assist and enjoyed it quite as much as the children.



HARRINGTON HOSPITAL, CANADIAN LABRADOR.

The
Guild of



Saint
Barnabas

"Je le pansay ; Dieu le guarit." [I tended him ; God healed him.]

—Ambroise Paré.

Canadian District

MONTREAL.—St. John Evangelist, third Tuesday, 8.15 p.m.
District Chaplain—Rev. Arthur French, 1773, Ontario Street.
District Superior—Miss Stikeman, 216, Drummond Street.

OTTAWA.—The Cathedral, First Monday.

Chaplain—Rev. Canon Kitson, the Rectory.

Local Superior—Miss L. C. Wickstead, 494, Albert Street.

TORONTO.—St. James' Cathedral Rectory, last Friday, 8 p.m.

Chaplain—Rev. Canon Edward A. Welch, St. James' Cathedral Rectory.

Local Superior—Mrs. Welch.

Secretary—Miss Maud Roger, 5 Howland Ave.

As Christmas week is always such a busy time, and so many of the nurses are away for the holidays, it was decided to follow the plan begun last year and have the Guild meeting in the beginning of January instead of on the last Friday in December. The meeting was unfortunately small in numbers, but very enjoyable. We were very pleased to have with us a visitor, Miss Pemberton, from Windsor, N.S., who was staying for a few days in Toronto. While in Montreal she saw in *THE CANADIAN NURSE* a notice of our meeting, and was able to time her visit so as to attend our meeting.

Montreal Branch has made some additions to the list of meetings, which should be of great help to the members. The list is now as follows: 1st Tuesday, Holy Communion at M. G. H., 6.15 a.m. 2nd Tuesday, Guild service and social meeting alternately, 4 p.m. 3rd Tuesday, Guild service at St. John's, 8.15 p.m. Last Tuesday, Holy Communion at R. V. H., 6.15 a.m.

The next meeting of the Council of the Canadian District is to be held on Thursday, January 24th, at 4 p.m., in Montreal.

A most interesting account of the 30th annual meeting, held in London in June, is to be found in the July number of *Misericordia*, the Guild paper. It includes, among other addresses, one by the Lord Bishop of Zanzibar on the work of the Guild in his diocese. How being a member of the Guild keeps us in touch with members of our profession in all parts of the world!

The General Secretary, Miss Wood, has reached Cape Town (see *Misericordia* for December). She hopes to visit Canada in the spring.

My Scallop-Shell of Quiet

*GIVE me my scallop-shell of quiet,
My staff of faith to walk upon,
My scrip of joy, immortal diet,
My bottle of salvation,
My gown of glory, hope's true gage;
And thus I'll take my pilgrinage.*

*Blood must be my body's balmer;
No other balm will there be given;
Whilst my soul like quiet palmer
Travelleth toward the land of Heaven;
My soul will be a-dry before,
But, after, it will thirst no more.*

—Sir Walter Raleigh.

NOT STRANGERS.—Let us not forget, however, that the angels know each saint on earth more intimately than the saints themselves are known by their nearest friends. . . . But this fact suggests another analogy between our social relationships with men and angels—namely, that as early friends, who have been acquainted with ourselves and our family history during the forgotten days of infancy, are met by us, in after years, not as strangers, but with feelings of intimacy and sympathy akin to those awakened by old kindred; even so will the saint, on reaching heaven, find God's angels to be, not strangers, but old friends, who have known all about him from the day of his birth until the hour of his death.—DR. NORMAN MACLEOD.

THOU HAST LOVED RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HATED INIQUITY.—A hundred times in India have I said to myself, Oh! that to every Englishman in this country, as he ends his work, might be truthfully applied the phrase, "Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity." No man has, I believe, ever served India faithfully of whom that could not be said. All other triumphs are tinsel and sham. Perhaps there are few of us who make anything but a poor approximation to that ideal. But let it be our ideal all the same. To fight for the right, to abhor the imperfect, the unjust, or the mean, to swerve neither to the right hand nor to the left, to care nothing for flattery or applause or odium or abuse—it is so easy to have any of these in India—never to let your enthusiasm be soured or your courage grow dim, but to remember that the Almighty has placed your hand on the greatest of His ploughs, in whose furrow the nations of the future are germinating and taking shape, to drive the blade a little forward in your time, and to feel that somehow among these millions you have left a little justice or happiness or prosperity, a sense of manliness or moral dignity, a spring of patriotism, a dawn of intellectual enlightenment, or a stirring of duty, where it did not before exist—that is enough, that is the Englishman's justification in India. It is good enough for his watchword while he is here, for his epitaph when he is gone. I have worked for no other aim. Let India be my judge.—LORD CURZON, *Viceroy of India.*
From a speech at a farewell dinner in Bombay.



MR. J. ROSS ROBERTSON, TORONTO.